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"Mr J Vos (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

- (1) (a) How many tourism information bureaus (i) are or (ii) have been operational in the past two financial years and (b) in each case, provide a breakdown of all relevant information and details pertaining to the bureau (i) name and (ii) location;
- (2) in cases where such bureaus are not operational, what are the (a) reasons and (b) relevant details in this regard?"

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REPLY:

- (1) (a) (i) and (ii) The department owns one National Tourism Information Gateway (NTIG) situated at OR Tambo International Airport (ORTIA). The NTIG at ORTIA has been operational since the 2013/14 financial year as a pilot project. All other visitor information centres in the country are owned by municipalities, provinces or private sector. Following a recent multi-stakeholder workshop, a working group was established to consider the best ways of enhancing tourism information provision at ports of entry.
- (2) (a) Not applicable
 - (b) Not applicable