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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY:

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“195. Dr M J Figg (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

- (1) What are the details of all the costs of the maintenance of the pot plants in his (a) departmental offices and (b) official residence (i) in the (aa) 2009-10, (bb) 2010-11, (cc) 2011-12, (dd) 2012-13 and (ee) 2013-14 financial year and (ii) since 1 April 2014 up to the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) in respect of the pot plant maintenance, (a) what is the (i) address and (ii) name of the office where they were/are displayed, (b) for whose benefit are these pot plants, (c) what was/is the value of maintenance for each office and (d) what are the details of any contracts and/or plans for the maintenance of these pot plants in the future?”

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REPLY:

- (1) (a) (i) (aa) 2009 – 2010: The department shared premises with the Department of Environmental Affairs, no cost by National Department of Tourism.
(bb) 2010 – 2011: The department shared premises with Department of Environmental Affairs, no cost by National Department of Tourism.

- (cc) 2011 – 2012: No cost for plant maintenance.
- (dd) 2012 - 2013: R 9558.90 from July 2012 to November 2012 for maintenance of plants at Tourism House.
- (ee) 2013 – 2014: R 8008.50 from November 2013 to March 2014 for maintenance of plants at Tourism House

(b) (i) Official residence – no cost for the following periods as listed below:

- (aa) 2009 – 2010
- (bb) 2010 – 2011
- (cc) 2011 – 2012
- (dd) 2012 - 2013
- (ee) 2013 – 2014

- (ii) Departmental Offices since April 2014: R 1601.70
Official residence: No cost

- (2) (a) (i) 17 Trevenna Street, Sunnyside
(ii) Tourism House work areas
- (b) The plants are for aesthetic appeal in the public areas and to purify the work area for officials in the building
- (c) R 19 169.91 for areas in Tourism House
- (d) There is a Service Level Agreement in place. The service provider supplied the pot plants and maintains all plants in the work areas at Tourism House on a weekly basis. The current service level agreement commenced on 1 November 2013 and will conclude on 31 October 2015.