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Mr S B Farrow (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

(1) How many establishments in each province have (a) not been graded under the new system and(b) been graded but are still operating under the old system,

(2) what cutoff date has been set for establishments to register with the Grading Council under the new system;

(3) whether establishments that have been registered under the old system have been requested to remove obsolete signage by the specified cutoff date; if not, why not; if so, what (a) action will be taken against establishments that continue to use signage for the obsolete system and (b) are the further relevant details?

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## 2271. THE MINISTER OF TOURISM ANSWERS:

- (1) (a) None. Grading is a Voluntary System in South Africa
  - (b) None.
- (2) Establishments were given 12months to register under the new system from 1 October
  2010 to 30 September 2011.
- (3) (a) Establishments that continue to display signage without being graded by the TGCSA are dealt with in line with our policies and procedures. This involves a 5 step process where we start by sending a friendly letter to that establishment requesting that they rejoin the system, culminating in a legal letter of demand and opening a criminal case with the Police Station in the jurisdiction of the establishment.
  - (b) Since 1 October 2011, the TGCSA had to cancel 1 318 properties from the system due to them not meeting the new requirements.