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**Mr K P Sithole (IFP) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

(1) Whether her department will furnish Mr K P Sithole with the official report from SA Tourism on the Tottenham Hotspur deal; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(2) What is the position of the acting Chief Executive officer of SA Tourism on the issue?

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**REPLY:**

(1) Whether her department will furnish the official report from SA Tourism on the Tottenham Hotspur deal; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

On 22 March, I issued a letter to the Chairperson of the SA Tourism Board, requesting details of the proposed deal with Tottenham Hotspur Football Club. That letter is attached as an annexure. The Board responded on the specified deadline of 29 March, that it will no longer proceed with the transaction, nor will it seek the concomitant requisite approvals for the proposed transaction. The SAT response is attached as an annexure.

(2) What is the position of the acting Chief Executive officer of SA Tourism on the issue?

 The Board is the Accounting Authority, not the Acting CEO.