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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY:**

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**Ms H S Winkler (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

(1) What number of meetings (a) has the SA Tourism Board held in each year since 1 January 2019, (b) are they expected to have and (c) are the reasons for having had either more or fewer meetings than they were supposed to have;

(2) what (a) number of meetings were held after three members resigned from the SA Tourism Board and (b) decisions were taken;

(3) whether she will provide Ms H Ismail with the registers and minutes of the meetings?

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**REPLY:**

(1) I have been informed by SA Tourism as follows:

| Years | (a) Number of meetings held | (b) Number of meetings expected to have | (c) Reasons for having had more or fewer meetings |
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| 1 Jan – 31 Dec 2019 | 12 | 7 | As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Board had to convene special Board meetings in response to the pandemic, establish new ways of working, drafting of sector recovery plans etc. |
| 1 Jan – 31 Dec 2020 | 24 | 7 | As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Board had to convene special Board meetings in response to the pandemic, establish new ways of working, drafting of sector recovery plans etc. The Board resorted to weekly working meetings |
| 1 Jan – 31 Dec 2021 | 17 | 7 | As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Board had to convene special Board meetings in response to the pandemic, establish new ways of working, drafting of sector recovery plans etc. |
| 1 Jan – 31 Dec 2022 | 16 | 7 | Period starting 1 January 2022 to 31 May 2022, 3 Board meetings were held.  Period from 1 May 2022 to 1 August 2022, there was no Board. The ACEO was appointed as the Accounting Authority.  2 September 2022 to December 2022, 13 Board Meetings were held |
| 1 Jan – 31 Mar 2023 | 15 | 1 | The Board had to consider and approve the Tottenham Hotspur proposal and further deal with all the issues that arose from the proposal. |

(2) Since the members resigned on 2 February 2023:

(a) The board had 13 meetings

(b) The following decisions were taken – Please see attached resolutions.

(3) Provision of registers and minutes of the meetings. – See attached Board resolutions.