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**MINISTER**

**QUESTION NO. 1339 FOR WRITTEN REPLY: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

A draft reply to **Mr T Z Hadebe (DA)** to the above-mentioned question is enclosed for your consideration.

**MS NOSIPHO NGCABA**

**DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

**DATE:**

**DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED**

**MRS B E E MOLEWA, MP**

**MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

**DATE:**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**(For written reply)**

**QUESTION NO. 1339 {NW1487E}**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 13 of 2016**

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**Mr T Z Hadebe (DA) to ask the Minister of Environmental Affairs:**

What is the detailed breakdown of the costs that will be incurred by her Department to host the 17th Conference of Parties (17th CoP) to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna in Johannesburg, Gauteng from 24 September 2016 to 05 October 2016?

**1339. THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS REPLIES:**

Costs relating to the hosting of the 17th Conference of Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna (CITES) in Johannesburg, Gauteng from
24 September 2016 to 05 October 2016 include:

* Host Country Agreement with the CITES Secretariat (translation, interpretation, documentation, report writing, travel of CITES Staff) = USD647 234 .
* Costs associated with logistical arrangements associated with the CoP, including venue, professional conference organiser, technical requirements (voting system, microphone and audiovisual systems) opening and closing ceremonies = R34 280 547.
* Costs associated with communication, community empowerment and participation and legacy programme = R31 188 808.

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