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**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**National Assembly : 1434**

Please find attached a response to Parliamentary Questionfor **written reply** asked by **Ms A M M Weber (DA) to the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

**Ms N Khanyile**

**Acting DDG: Mineral and Petroleum Regulation**

**28 April 2022**

Recommended/ Not Recommended

**Ms P Gamede**

**Acting Director General: Department of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**Mr. S.G Mantashe**

**Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**1434. Ms A M M Weber (DA) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

(1) Whether, with reference to the renewal of the mining rights for the Elandshoogte Gold Mine, he considered that the mine is right next to the Houtbosloop that is the habitat of the fish species of Chiloglanis Bifurcus; if not, why not; if so, (2) whether he has been advised that the specified fish species is on the Red List of Threatened Species of the International Union for Conservation of Nature; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, how does his department plan to ensure that this species does not become extinct as a result of the mining activity? **NW1752E**

**Reply**

(1) The renewal application of the mining right is still under consideration.