

**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE & MILITARY VETERANS**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**1542. Mr S J F Marais (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:**

(1) Given the perceived sustainable serviceability of the Presidential BBJ, Inkwazi, why did the President, Mr M C Ramaphosa, use a chartered aircraft with tail or registration number ZS-KDR to attend the 2019 Rugby World Cup in Japan;

(2) (a) what was the total cost for chartering the private aircraft and (b) from which budget item in the budget of the Department of Defence will this be funded;

(3) whether Inkwazi is out of service; if so, (a) what are the reasons for its unserviceability and (b) by what date will it be returned to actively transport the President? NW2867E

**RESPONSE**

**The question requires a closed session of the Joint Standing Committee on Defence as it relates to the security and movements of the VVIP.**