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QUESTION 1621

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1621. Mr M S F de Freitas (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

With reference to criminal cases opened with the SA Police Service (SAPS) relating to the (a) Department of Tourism and (b) SA Tourism, (i) what number of cases have been laid in each month by the Department of Tourism and South African Tourism in the past three financial years and since 1 April 2022, (ii) on what date was each charge made in each instance, (iii) which officers have been allocated to each case in each instance, (v) what are the officer's contact details for each case in each instance, (v) what progress has been made in each case to date, (vi) what number of persons have been arrested and charged in each case, (vii) on what date was each person charged in each instance and (viii) what were they charged for?

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REPLY:

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The South African Police Service (SAPS) is not able to identify these cases on the Case Administration System (CAS), due to the fact that the Department of Tourism and South African Tourism do not open criminal cases as an entity. Criminal cases are registered in the name of the individual who reports the cases and makes the statement, in this regard. The individual is registered as the complainant on behalf of the entity.

Conducting a manual search would be detrimental to service delivery. This work would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of the SAPS away from urgent operational work. The SAPS is, therefore, not readily able to supply the requested statistics.

The SAPS liaised with the Department of Tourism to determine whether they have records of cases registered. It was confirmed that they do not have a database of cases registered with the SAPS.

A request for future system enhancements has been submitted to the SAPS Division: Technology Management Services (TMS), in order to be able to process and identify cases involving tourists or tourism-related crime.

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