**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION 1706-2019**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO: 31-2019, DATE OF PUBLICATION 29 -11- 2019: “MRS V VAN DYK (DA) to ask the Minister of Sports, Arts and Culture”**

1. With reference to the payments of claims made to the Department of International Relations and Cooperations for the 2018-19 financial year, (a) what is the official status of each traveler, (b) in what capacity did each person travel, (c) what is the total breakdown of the travel fee and accommodation, (d) was each person travelling on business and/or economy class, (e) what was car rental cost in respect of each traveler, (f) what type of vehicles were booked for each traveler, (g) how did the travel undertaken by each person contribute to the economy and/or advancement of the Republic and (h) on what date will the reports of each trip that was undertaken be available? (**NW3102E**)

**REPLY:**

1. Please refer to the attached spreadsheet for the response to the question above.

**PAYMENT OF CLAIMS MADE TO DIRCO 2018 -2019 FINANCIAL YEAR**

With reference to the payments of claims made to the Department of International Relations and Cooperations for the 2018-19 financial year, (a) what is the official status of each traveler, (b) in what capacity did each person travel, (c) what is the total breakdown of the travel fee and accommodation, (d) was each person travelling on business and/or economy class, (e) what was car rental cost in respect of each traveler, (f) what type of vehicles were booked for each traveler, (g) how did the travel undertaken by each person contribute to the economy and/or advancement of the Republic and (h) on what date will the reports of each trip that was undertaken be available? (**NW3102E**)

**Kenya 1 – Ministerial Working Visit on 26 – 29 October 2018**

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| Meeting  | Official | Director Africa and the Middle East  | R42 000.00 | Economy Class  | R20 000.00 | Sedan standard (shared) | The South African participation was to advance the objectives of the Charter for African Cultural Renaissance and creating of markets for industries. | Report available on request |
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| Meeting  | Official  | Deputy Director  | Paid by AU  | Economy Class  | R10 000.00 | Sedan (shared) | The South African participation was to advance the objectives of the Charter for African Cultural Renaissance. | Report is available for viewing  |
| Expert  | Independent Black Filmmakers Collective (IBFC)  | R16 000.00 | Economy Class |

 | Official  | Deputy Director  | Economy Class  |
|  | Official  | Assistant Director Creative Industries  | Economy Class |

1. **Ethiopia – 5th Pan African Cultural Congress – 5 – 7 September 2018**

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| Meeting  | Executive Authority  | Deputy Minister  | Hosted by Algeria  | Business Class  | N/A | Hosted by Algeria  | The South African participation was to advance the objectives of the Charter for African Cultural Renaissance | Report is available for viewing  |
| OFFICIAL  | PA to Deputy Minister  | Hosted by Algeria  | Business Class | N/A | Hosted by Algeria  |
| Official  | Director Africa and the Middle East  | R 10 000 | Economy Class  | R20 000.00 | Sedan standard |
| Official  | Director Libraries  | R10 000.00 | Economy Class | Sedan standard |
| Expert  | President of AFLIA  | Paid by AFLIA  | Economy Class  | Sedan standard |
| Expert  | Executive of AFLIA  | Paid by AFLIA  | Economy Class | Sedan standard |

1. **Algeria - AU Specialised Technical Committee on Youth, Culture and Sports 22 – 25 October**

**Kenya – Technical Visit for Cultural Seasons on 02 – 05 October 2018**

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| Meeting  | Official | Director Africa and the Middle East  | R42 000.00 | Economy Class  | R20 000.00 | Sedan standard (shared) | The South African participation was to advance the objectives of the Charter for African Cultural Renaissance and creating of markets for industries. | Report available on request |
|  | Official  | Assistant Director Events Management  | Economy Class  |
|  | Official  | Assistant Director Creative Industries  | Economy Class |

**Kenya - Hosting South African Cultural Seasons in Kenya – 28 February – 2 March 2019**

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| Event Service Provider  | Officials | DDG | R175 605.66 | Economy Class | R54 521.60 |  | The South African participation was to advance the objectives of the Charter for African Cultural Renaissance and creating of markets for industries. | Report is available for viewing  |
| Director  | Economy Class |  |
| Deputy Director  | Economy Class |  |
| 3 x Assistant Director  | Economy Class |  |
| Events Management company | Economy Class |  |
| 2x Exhibition Curator / Coordinator | Economy Class |  |
|  | Expert | 1x Chef | Economy Class | R277 048.34 | 2 x Sedan (shared)15 Seater (shared) |
|  | Expert | 1x Journalists | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 1x Photo journalist | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 7 x Musician for the opening banquet and the band | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 1x Sound engineer / technical | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 1x Creative Director | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 1x Poet | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 1x Muralist | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 15x Dancers | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 1x Craft presenter (workshop) | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 1x Design presenter (workshop) | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 1x Dance choreographer | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 7x Band | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 3x Backup singers | Economy Class |
|  | Expert | 3x Musicians  | Economy Class |
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| 36th Session of WIPO SCCR - Geneva | Official | DD/IR DD/Cultural Development | Accommodation – R43 875 | Economy | None - Public transport is free in Geneva | N/A | The benefit of SA participation in the SCCR is to ensure that our national policies are aligned with global practices to ensure that our creatives can benefit both economically and morally from their Intellectual Property and that their IP rights are protected from unauthorised used at the international level.  | Yes, available on request |
| 37th WIPO IGC on Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions - Geneva | OfficialOfficial | DD/IRDirector:Living Heritage | Accommodation – R92 000 | Economy | Travel agency - Amount not available at time of report  | Standard car | The contribution to the economy is to ensure that once a legal binding instrument is adopted, traditional communities can share the benefit that derives from their IP that emanated from their traditional knowledge be it medicinal, innovation, designs, etc. and that their IP is protected from international misappropriation. | Yes, available on request |
| WIPO Assemblies of Member States - Geneva | OfficialOfficial | CD/IRDD/CD | Accommodation R110 000 | Economy | None - public transport is free in Geneva | N/A | The General Assembly is the main decision making body of WIPO and meets annually to take stock of progress on the organisations of the work of WIPO and to discuss future policy direction in the field of IP globally. Our participation is to take note and endorse future policy direction of WIPO to be in line with our national development priorities as outlined in the NDP. | Yes, available on request |
| World Conference on Creative Economy | OfficialTechnical Experts OfficialOfficial | DGCD/IRSACO RepDD/IRDD/CD | Accommodation and transport cost – R140 000 | DG – Business class4 x Officials - Economy | Amount not available at time of report | Standard car – Toyota Camry | South Africa shared with the global community how the creative and cultural economy is often connected with other development priorities, such as poverty alleviation, basic infrastructure sustainable development, gender equality, social inclusion and global partnerships. We also provided statistical data to show the contribution of culture to the GDP. | Yes, available on request |
| 37th Session of WIPO SCCR - Geneva | OfficialOfficial | DD/IRDD/Cultural Development | Accommodation – R67 000 | Economy | Public transport is free in Geneva | N/A | Discussion continued from the 36th Session. The benefit of SA participation in the SCCR is to ensure that our national policies are aligned with global practices to ensure that our creatives can benefit both economically and morally from their Intellectual Property and that their IP rights are protected from unauthorised used at the international level. | Yes, available on request |
| 38th WIPO IGC on Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions - Geneva | OfficialOfficial | DD/IRDirector/Living Heritage | Accommodation – R76 703 | Economy | Travel agency - Amount not available at time of report | Standard car | Discussions continued from the 37th Session.The contribution to the economy is to ensure that once a legal binding instrument is adopted, traditional communities can share the benefit that derives from their IP that emanated from their traditional knowledge be itmedicinal, innovation, designs, etc. and that their IP is protected from international misappropriation. | Yes, available on request |
| 12th Ordinary Session of the IGC for the 2005 Convention on Cultural Diversity - Paris  | OfficialOfficial | CD/IRDD/CD | Accommodation – R52 000 | Economy | R 3600 (R1 800 p/p) | Taxi – Standard car | The New Growth Path, the National Development Plan, the White Paper on Arts, Culture and Heritage and the Mzansi Golden Economy Strategy is aligned to the principles of the 2005 Convention. All these strategies are geared towards unlocking the growth potential of the cultural and creative industry, to maximise economic growth and job creation, especially in the informal sector.  | Yes, available on request |
| 39th WIPO IGC on Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions - Geneva | OfficialOfficial | DD/IRDirector/Living Heritage | Accommodation – R67 852 | Economy | Travel agency – Amount not available at time of report | Standard car | Discussions continuedfrom the 38th Session. The contribution to the economy is to ensure that once a legal binding instrument is adopted, traditional communities can share the benefit that derives from their IP that emanated from their traditional knowledge beit medicinal, innovation, designs, etc. and that their IP is protected from international misappropriation. | Yes, available on request |
| UNWTO/UNESCO World Conference on Tourism and Culture - Turkey | OfficialOfficialOfficial OfficialOfficial | DGD/HeritageDD/IRDD/Stakeholder LiaisonMr S Ntombela – DD/MGE | Accommodation and transport – R370 000 | DG – Business class4 x Officials – Economy class | Amounts not available at time of report | DG – Luxury CarOfficials – Standard car | Tourism is a driver of economic growth, inclusive developmentand environmental sustainability. Through our participation we learn and share global best practices on how cultural tourism can make an important contribution to poverty reduction, fighting inequality and promoting inclusive growth for the implementation of the SDGs. | Yes, available on request |
| Nelson Mandela Statue in New York: New York travel for the Minister to view the site for the statue in New York, USA August 2018. | ExecutiveOfficialOfficialOfficialOfficial | MinisterMinister’s AdvisorDD/HPPMin’s PADD/IR  | Accommodation and local transport – R830 000 | Minister – Business class travelMinister’s Advisor – Business class travel3 x Officials – Economy class  | Breakdown of amounts for transport not available at time of report | Minister - Luxury CarOfficials - Standard | The Statue of Nelson Mandela was a gift donated to the United Nations during the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit as a result of the United General Assembly (UNGA) resolution 72/243 which was adopted in Dec ember 2017. A communications strategy was developed for the branding of SA during the Peace summit, including the unveiling of the statue of former President Mandela.  | Yes, available on request |
| Unveiling Ceremony of Nelson Mandela Statue at the United Nations Headquarters in New York during the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit, September 2018 | ExecutiveOfficialOfficialOfficialOfficial | MinisterMr M Nkomo – Minister’s AdvisorDD/HPPMin’s PADD/IR  | Accommodation and local transport - top up amount as a balance was still at DIRCO from travel in August 2019 - R240 000 | Minister – Business class travelMinister’s Advisor – Business class travelOfficials – Economy class | Breakdown of amounts for transport not available at time of report | Minister - Luxury CarOfficials - Standard | The Statue of Nelson Mandela was a gift donated to the United Nations during the Nelson Mandela PeaceSummit as a result ofthe United General Assembly (UNGA) resolution 72/243 which was adopted in Dec ember 2017. A communications strategy was developed for the branding of SA during the Peace summit, including the unveiling of the statue of former President Mandela.  | Yes, available on request |