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**1772. Mr S C Motau (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

Does (a) she, (b) her Deputy Minister or (c) any of the heads of entities or bodies reporting to her make use of security services paid for by the State for (i) him/herself, (ii) his/her immediate family members or (iii) any of their staff members; in each case (aa) what are the reasons for it, (bb) from which department or entity’s budget is the security services being paid, and (cc) what are the relevant details? **NW1978E**

**Reply:**

(a) Yes

(b) Yes

(c) (i) DSD and NDA- not applicable

 (ii) SASSA- Yes, the Regional Manager for SASSA in KZN is currently receiving protection services.

(i) Both the Minister and Deputy Minister receive protection receive from the SAPS VIP Protection paid by the State as per the provision of the Ministerial Handbook

(ii) Not applicable

(iii) DSD and SASSA not applicable

(aa) after intimidation and death threats on the life of the SASSA Regional Manager by officials who were subjected to disciplinary hearings for fraud and collusion with syndicates who were defrauding the social grants system. The provision of protection services was recommended by the State Security and SAPS after proper assessment was conducted.

(bb) SASSA budget.

(cc) Further details can be provided by the SAPS VIP Protection on (aa)