

**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE & MILITARY VETERANS**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**1844. Dr P J Groenewald (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:**

(1) Whether all members of the senior management service (SMS) in her department had declared their interests for the past year as required by the Public Service Regulations; if not, (a) why not, (b) how many of the specified members did not declare their interests and (c) what are the (i) names and (ii) ranks of the specified noncompliant members of the SMS;

(2) whether noncompliant SMS members have been charged; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) what number (a) of employees in her department at each post level are currently suspended on full salary and (b) of the specified employees at each post level have been suspended for the specified number of days (details furnished);

(4) what is the total amount of cost attached to the days of service lost as a result of the suspensions in each specified case;

(5) whether she will make a statement on the matter? NW2003E

**REPLY**:

1. All SMS members of the Department of Defence declared their financial interests for the 2016/2017 financial year as required by the Public Service Regulations. The administration regarding the 2017/2018 financial disclosures has not yet being finalised.

2. All members complied.

3. a. There are currently twenty three (23) SANDF members on leave on instruction of the Chief of the South African National Defence Force (C SANDF) and 08 Public Service Act Personnel (civilians) on leave on instruction of the Secretary for Defence at the following post/rank levels:

i. SANDF members:

(1) 1 x Maj Gen.

(2) 1 x Brig Gen.

(3) 1 x Col.

(4) 3 x Lt Col.

(5) 1 x Lt Cdr.

(6) 1 x WO2.

(7) 1 x S Sgt.

(8) 1 x Sgt.

(9) 1 x Cpl.

(10) 2 x Able Seamen.

(11) 10 x Airmen/Riflemen.

ii. Public Service Act Personnel (civilians):

(1) Food Service Aid.

(2) Prov Admin Clerk.

(3) Admin Clerk.

(4) Senior Internal Auditor.

(5) Prov Admin Clerk.

(6) Supply Support Driver.

b. Number of the specified SANDF members on leave on instruction at each rank levels for the specified number of days as on 01 June 2018.

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| **S/NO** | **RANK** | **DATE OF SUSPENSION** | **PERIOD SUSPENDED** | **AMOUNT PAID FOR PERIOD OF SUSPENSION** |
|  | a | b | c | d |
| 1 | Maj Gen | 12-Dec-17 | 5 mnths 19 days | R500 029 |
| 2 | Brig Gen | 12-Dec-17 | 5 mnths 19 days | R414 346 |
| 3 | Col | 12-Dec-17 | 5 mnths 19 days | R358 076 |
| 4 | Lt Col | 09-Dec-15 | 2 yrs & 5 mnths 21 days | R1 319 715 |
| 5 | Lt Col | 09-Dec-15 | 2 yrs & 5 mnths 21 days | R1 293 848 |
| 6 | Lt Col | 24-Jan-18 | 4 Mnths 7 days | R175 962 |
| 7 | Lt Cdr | 04-Apr-18 | 2 Mnths | R61 602 |
| 8 | WO2 | 21-Jun-11 | 6 years & 11 mnths | R2 252 355 |
| 9 | S Sgt | 07-Jun-11 | 6 years & 11 mnths | R1 741 152 |
| 10 | Sgt | 17-Jun-11 | 6 years & 11 mnths | R1 707 027 |
| 11 | Cpl | 24-Jan-18 | 4 Mnths 7 days | R78 129 |
| 12 | AB | 17-Apr-18 | 1 Mnth 14 days | R15 401 |
| 13 | AB | 24-May-18 | 7 days | R3 593 |
| 14 | Trp | 21-May-07 | 11 years 10 days | R2 073 621 |
| 15 | Rfn | 10-Feb-11 | 7 years 3 mnths 18 days | R1 319 577 |
| 16 | Pte | 28-Dec-09 | 8 years 5 months | R1 478 520 |
| 17 | Amn | 09-Apr-14 | 4 years 1 mnth 22 days | R656 448 |
| 18 | Rfn | 24-Jan-18 | 4 Months 7 days | R60 396 |
| 19 | Rfn | 24-Jan-18 | 4 Months 7 days | R60 396 |
| 20 | Rfn | 24-Jan-18 | 4 Months 7 days | R61 605 |
| 21 | Rfn | 24-Jan-18 | 4 Months 7 days | R60 396 |
| 22 | Rfn | 24-Jan-18 | 4 Months 7 days | R60 396 |
| 23 | Rfn | 24-Jan-18 | 4 Months 7 days | R56 914 |

c. Number of the specified civilian members on leave on instruction at each rank levels for the specified number of days as on 01 June 2018.

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| **S/NO** | **RANK** | **DATE OF SUSPENSION** | **PERIOD SUSPENDED** | **COST OF SUSPENSION** |
| 01 | Food Service Aid | 19/08/2016 | 21 Months 19 days | R186 003.40 |
| 02 | Prov Admin Clerk | 19/08/2016 | 21 months 19 days | R346 020.84 |
| 03 | Prov Admin Clerk | 19/08/2016 | 21 months 19 days | R346 020.84 |
| 04 | Admin Clerk | 27/11/2017 | 6 months 8 days | R135 309.24 |
| 05 | Senior Internal Auditor | 11/12/2017 | 5 months 26 days | R154 987.36 |
| 06 | State Accountant | 11/12/2017 | 5 months 26 days | R178 736.80 |
| 07 | Prov Admin Clerk | 23/05/2018 | 14 days | R8 408.40 |
| 08 | Supply Support Driver | 23/05/2018 | 14 days | R 4 726.12 |

4. An estimated total amount of R17 169 717.00 has been paid to members and employees who are placed on leave on instruction.

5. No.