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1980. Mr K P Robertson (DA) to ask the Minister of Rural Development and Land Reform:**{1) With reference to the Mala Mala Game Reserve land claim in Mpumalanga, what was the (a) role of a certain person (name and details furnished) in the awarding of the claim and (b) total amount of (i) shares held by the specified person in the game reserve at the time of the land claim settlement and (ii) money the person earned when Mala Mala was restituted;

(2) whether her department provided any post settlement support; if so, (a) what assistance was provided, (b) who were the intended beneficiaries, (c) what were the outcomes of the support and (d) will any assistance be provided in the future? NW2139E **THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM:**(1) (a) The individual was involved in the process of negotiations and was part of the delegation with the previous landowner, his management team and his legal representatives.

(b) (i) The Department has no knowledge of shares that were held by the individual in the game reserve at the time of settlement.

(ii) The Department has no knowledge of money earned by the individual when Mala Mala was restituted. However, the Honourable Member is welcome to submit any information he might possess to my Office.

(2) Yes.

(a) Post settlement support was provided in the form of negotiating the comanagement agreement to run the Mala Mala lodge with the assistance of Vumelana Advisory Fund.

{b) Claimants.

(c) New company whose claimants are shareholders.

{d) Yes if necessary.