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**Mr P G Moteka (EFF) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

In light of the fact that the Auditor-General has made a finding that the Tourism Relief Fund was paid out to deceased persons, what (a) total number of deceased persons were paid, (b) total amount was paid to deceased persons and (c) action has she taken against those responsible? NW215E

**REPLY:**

1. The Auditor General of South Africa (AGSA) reported that 17 deceased tourist guides were paid. After verification was conducted, the Department found that payments were made for a total of seven (7) deceased guides.
2. The total amount that was paid out for these cases was R16 500.
3. Case have been opened with the South African Police Services (SAPS) for further investigations.