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**(For written reply)**

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**Mr JR B Lorimer (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:**(a) What are the reasons that the fisheries offices of her department are still closed and (b) on what date will they re-open? **2472. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND ENVIRONMENT REPLIES**

**(**a) The Fisheries Offices are closed  
  
The Fishing Sector was identified as an essential service in the provision of food during the National Covid-19 Lockdown. Office-based fisheries staff have been working on rotation since Alert 4 of the Lockdown, but have all returned to office with the commencement of Alert Level 1.  
  
(b) Not applicable **Regards  
MS B D CREECY, MP  
MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT  
DATE: 6/11/2020**