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Mr D W Bryant (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

- (1) Whether she will furnish Mr D W Bryant with the details in terms of the (a) number, (b) make, (c) age and (d) displacement of each marine protection and/or anti-poaching vessel that is in the service of her department and/or other relevant departments in order to face the significant challenges relating to poaching syndicates in coastal marine areas; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what (a) are the details of the seaworthiness status of each vessel, (b) was the annual expenditure for all such vessels in the (i) 2019-20, (ii) 2020-21 and (iii) 2021-22 financial years and (c) is the budget allocated for the 2022-23 financial year?

2576. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

- (1)(a) The Marine Living Resources Fund (MLRF) owns four Fisheries Protection Vessels (FPVs). Three of the vessels are inshore patrol vessels and there is one offshore patrol vessel that is capable of patrolling the high seas.
- (1)(b) Their names are as follows: Lillian Ngoyi, Ruth First, Victoria Mxenge, and Sarah Baartman.
- (1)(c) The three inshore patrol vessels were built between 2004 and 2005, and the offshore patrol vessels were built in 2005.

- (1)(d) The patrol vessels are deployed to different coastal provinces at regular intervals.
- (2)(a) Three patrol vessels are sea-worthy and one (Lillian Ngoyi) is currently undergoing repairs.
- (2)(b) Expenditure for all FPVs per financial year is as follows: (i) 2019/2020 - R108 million, (ii) 2020/2021 - R119 million and (iii) 2021/2022 – R115 million.
- (2)(c) The budget allocated for the 2022/2023 financial year is R110 million.

Regards



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MS B D CREECY, MP
MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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