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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**2621. Mr R A Lees (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:**

Whether the SA Airways had the required foreign operators permits to fly (a) to and (b) from all destinations on (i) 20 August 2017 and (ii) 31 August 2017; if not, in each case, why not; if so, what are the relevant details in each case? NW2926E

**REPLY:**

Details on foreign operators permit are reflected below.

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| **INTERNATIONAL** |  |  |
| **COUNTRY**  | **DESTINATION** | **OPERATING AUTHORISATION** | **VALIDITY** |
| Australia | Perth | Foreign Air Transport Air Operators Certificate | Yearly - 31 May 2018 |
| Brazil | Sao Paulo | Authorisation from the Ministry of Defence. Appointed Local Legal representative, validated by ANAC. Approved slots. Approved Hotran (Horário de Transporte/Time of Transportation) | Ongoing |
| Germany | Frankfurt and Munich  | Operating Permit through Seasonal Filing. | IATA Season |
| Hong Kong | Hong Kong | Operating Permit  | Yearly Basis - 24 March 2018 |
| U.S.A. | New York and Washington | Overflying and Landing clearance. Economic Authority from the US DOT  | Overflying and Landing Clearance - IATA Season, Economic Authority – Bi Yearly Basis |
| United Kingdom | London | Foreign Carrier Permit  | IATA Season |
| **AFRICA** |  |  |  |
| **COUNTRY**  | **DESTINATION** | **OPERATING AUTHORISATION** | **VALIDITY** |
| Angola | Luanda | Overflying and Landing clearance. Angola in the process of changing their legislation to include Foreign Operators Permits | IATA Season |
| Benin | Cotonou | Foreign Operators Permit (A319, A320 and B738) | Yearly Basis - 18 May 2018 |
| Cameroon | Douala | Foreign Operators Permit Required; of which SAA has one |  |
| Congo | Brazzaville and Pointe Noire | Foreign Operators Permits issued to Foreign Airlines. SAA doesn't require one, as it is an eligible airline. Should they want to include an additional aircraft, letter to be written to ANAC, in order to obtain operating authorisation | Seasonal submission of overflying and landing clearance |
| Cote d'Ivoire | Abidjan | No Foreign Operators Permit required.  | Seasonal submission of overflying and landing clearance |
| D.R.C. | Kinshasa | Foreign Operators Permit currently not applicable as Authorities and Airlines in process of debating actual cost. Once consensus reached, FOP will be required | Seasonal submission of overflying and landing clearance |
| Gabon | Libreville | Foreign Operators Permit not required. Gabon CAA intends to put a process in place. Overflying and landing clearance | Seasonal submission of overflying and landing clearance |
| Ghana | Accra | Overflying and Landing clearance. Foreign Air Operators Certificate - Application ongoing | Foreign Operators Permit still to be issued  |
| Kenya | Nairobi | Foreign Operators Permit not required. Bilateral Air Services Agreement in place |
| Mauritius | Mauritius | Overflying and Landing clearance. New requirement for carriers to have a Foreign Operators Permit. This will be applied for when renewing our Seasonal Approval (Oct 17) | IATA Season |
| Mozambique | Maputo | Foreign Air Operators Licence - A319, A320, B738 and B737 | IATA Season |
| Namibia  | Windhoek | Foreign Air Operator Permit - A319, A320, B738 and B737 | Yearly Basis - 30 June 2018 |
| Nigeria | Lagos | Foreign Operators Permit not required. Overflying and landing clearance | Seasonal submission of overflying and landing clearance |
| Senegal | Dakar | Foreign Operators Permit. Will be commencing with the process to obtain one, in order to avoid any future problems | Seasonal submission of overflying and landing clearance |
| Tanzania | Dar Es Salaam | No Foreign Operators Permit required. Slot Allocation given as operating approval | Seasonal submission of overflying and landing clearance |
| Uganda | Entebbe | Foreign Operators Permit Required; of which SAA has one | Seasonal submission of overflying and landing clearance |
| Zambia | Lusaka, Livingstone and Ndola | Foreign Operators Permit  | Yearly - 31 December 2017 |
| Zimbabwe | Harare and Victoria Falls | Foreign Operators Permit on the 19 August 2017, SA025 scheduled to depart from Harare at 07h20 am was grounded by Zimbabwean Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).Reason for grounding was the Foreign Operator Permit (FOP) that was not found on board of the aircraft, the incident affected Harare and Vic Falls. It should be noted that it was confirmed that, there was previously no requirement for SAA to obtain or to have in possession the required FOP. | Bi-Yearly Basis - 18 August 2019 |