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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 2767**

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**2767. Ms H S Winkler (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:**

(1) Whether his department is considering visas on arrival particularly from the priority tourism markets of the Republic; if not, why not; if so, what are the (a) timelines, (b) time frames, (c) milestones and (d) deadlines in this regard;

(2) whether his department is considering digital nomad visas, particularly from the priority tourism markets of the Republic; if not, why not; if so, what are the (a) timelines, (b) time frames, (c) milestones and (d) deadlines in this regard;

(3) what are the (a) criteria and (b) conditions of extension of tourism visas? NW3354E

**REPLY:**

1. There is no provision for visas on arrivals in the current Immigration Act. The Department can therefore not issue visas on arrival.
2. In his State of the Nation Address on 14 February 2022 the President announced that he had appointed former Department of Home Affairs Director-General, Mr Mavuso Msimanag to Review the Visa Regime.

I therefore request the Honourable Winkler to await outcomes of the report.

(3)(a) An application for a visitor's visa not exceeding a period of three months shall be accompanied by-

1. a statement or documentation detailing the purpose and duration of the visit;
2. a valid return air flight ticket or proof of reservation thereof; and
3. proof of sufficient financial resources.

(3)(b) An application for a visitor's visa exceeding a period of three months shall, in addition to complying with the requirements mentioned above, be accompanied by a police clearance certificate. The proof of sufficient available financial resources shall be in the form of a recently bank certified statement, for the last three months.

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