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**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**2804 Mr S J F Marais (DA) asked the Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure:**

1. What (a) is the total number of houses leased by her department for employees of the (i) Department of Defence and (ii) SA National Defence Force and (b) total amount was (i) paid directly to service providers and/or landlords for the leasing of houses for the rank group Brigadiers-General to Generals and (ii) transferred to her department for the leasing of houses for the specified rank group;
2. what is the (a) monthly rental amount, (b) lease period and (c) total cost for providing security and guards for each specified house? **NW3324E**

# REPLY:

**The Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure**

(1) (a) (i)I was informed that the Department of Public Works & Infrastructure leases six flats/units in Oudtshoorn, Western Cape, on behalf of the Department of Defence and Military Veterans.

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|  | (ii) | The Department of Public Works & Infrastructure provides accommodation to |
|  | the National Department of Defence and Military Veterans. The discretion to  allocate specific units lies with the User Department (the National Department |
|  | of Defence and Military Veterans). |
| (b) | (i) | The monthly rental paid to the landlord for the six flats is R35 791.22. |
|  |  | The Department of Defence determines which of its members occupies the flats. |
|  | (ii) | The total approved budget transferred from the Department of Defence & Military Veterans to DPWI for leasing the six flats amounts to R 2,154,771.56 |
|  |  | for five years. |
| (2) (a) |  | The monthly rental for the six flats is R35 791.22 with an annual escalation of 6%. |
| (b) |  | The lease contract is for five years which commenced on 1 May 2019 and |
|  |  | expires on 30 April 2024. |
| (c) |  | DPWI is not providing security to the leased flats /units. |