**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION No. 327-2021**

**FOR WRITTE REPLY**

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**“Dr A Lotriet (DA) to ask the Minister of Sports, Arts and Culture:**

Whether any (a) sports teams and/or (b) individuals participating in the Tokyo Olympic Games will have to pay fully and/or partially for the cost to participate in the games; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (i) to which teams and/or athletes does this pertain, (ii) what number of persons are affected, (iii) what are the reasons that the SA Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee will not be covering the full cost for each team and/or individual to participate and (iv) what is the breakdown of the costs for each team and/or individual, including (aa) flights, (bb) accommodation and (cc) any other specified costs? **NW331**

**REPLY**

The South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee in its response indicated the following;

a). No, sports teams and/or individuals as members of Team South Africa participating in the Tokyo Olympic Games will not have to pay fully and/or partially for the cost to participate in the games.

(i)(ii).The position in this regard is that the SASCOC mandate is to deliver Team South Africa to multi-coded games and therefore funding must be sourced to cover the cost for Team delivery. SASCOC is working hard to secure the necessary funding to deliver the team to Tokyo.

(iii). However, if SASCOC is not successful in raising all the required funding to deliver the team to Tokyo the SASCOC General Assembly, at its AGM on 23 November 2019 resolved that should SASCOC not raise all the required funding, the participating National Federations will raise the necessary funding to assist SASCOC to deliver Team South Africa to Tokyo.

(iv). The budget is being reworked based on sponsors being signed and other potential funders so a cost per team member should be available mid-March 2021.