**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 3299 / NW39079E**

**MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES:**

**Mr N Paulsen (EFF) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries:**

**QUESTION**

(1)      (a) (i) What total amount did his department spend on his travel costs between Gauteng and Cape Town in the 2014-15 financial year and (ii) how many trips did he undertake between Cape Town and Gauteng in the specified financial year and (b) what total amount did his department spend on (i) hotel and (ii) residential or other accommodation for him in (aa) Cape Town and (bb) Pretoria in the 2014-15 financial year;

(2)       (a)(i) what total amount did his department spend on the Deputy Minister’s travel costs between Gauteng and Cape Town in the 2014-15 financial year and (ii) how many trips between Gauteng and Cape Town did the Deputy Minister undertake in the specified financial year and (b) what total amount did his department spend on (i) hotel and (ii) residential or other accommodation for the Deputy Minister in (aa) Cape Town and (bb) Pretoria in the 2014-15 financial year? NW3907E

**REPLY**

1. (a)(i) The total amount spend on travel costs between Gauteng and Cape Town in the 2014-15 financial year for the Minister was R 268 638.82.

(a)(ii) The Minister undertook 40 trips between Gauteng and Cape Town in 2014-15 financial year.

(b)(i) The total amount spent on hotel was R 185 828.80 and (ii) residential or other accommodation for the Minister in Cape Town and Pretoria in the 2014 financial year .***This information relates to prestige accommodation which will mainly be municipal charges as residential accommodation is paid by Department of Public Works Prestige Unit.***

1. (a)(i) The total amount spent by DAFF on travel costs between Gauteng and Cape Town in the 2014-15 financial year for the Deputy Minister was R122 157.85.

(a)(ii) The Deputy Minister undertook 19 trips between Gauteng and Cape Town in 2014-15 financial year.

(b)(i) The total amount spent by DAFF on hotel was R 265 416.58 and (ii) residential or other accommodation for the Deputy Minister in Cape Town and Pretoria in the 2014 financial year. ***This information relates to prestige accommodation which will mainly be municipal charges as residential accommodation is paid by Department of Public Works Prestige Unit.***