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**QUESTION 3753**

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**3753. Mr S P Mhlongo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) Whether (a) his department and/or (b) entities reporting to him procured services from a certain company (name furnished); if so, (i) what services were procured in each case and (ii) what is the total amount that was paid to the specified company in each case;

(2) whether the specified company provided services related to international travel to (a) his department and/or (b) entities reporting to him; if so, (i) what is the name of each person who travelled, (ii) what was the travel route and (iii) what is the total amount that was paid for each person?

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**REPLY:**

(1)(a) Yes, the South African Police Service (SAPS), procured services from Travel With Flair, since 2001.

(1)(b) For the entities, reporting to the Minister of Police, to respond.

(1)(i)(ii) For the period, since 2001 up to November 2017, the following amounts were paid to the company:

* Air charter service: R8 211 370,31.
* Leases: motor vehicles: R1 476 536,81.
* Laundry services: R10 315,46.
* Domestic accommodation: R97 612 196,21.
* Domestic car rental: R2 919,40.
* Domestic air transport and accommodation: R437 423,58.
* Domestic air transport: R30 992 464,62.
* Domestic railway transport: R6 664,44.
* Domestic road transport: R2 350 251,39.
* Foreign accommodation: R22 797 095,54.
* Foreign incidental cost-medical insurance: R115 327,42.
* Foreign air transport: R100 239 651,94.
* Foreign road transport: R101 458,00.
* Venues and facilities: R253 605,12.

(2)(a) Yes, international travel expenditures were also procured from the company.

(2)(i)(ii) and (iii)

Due to the number of employees that travelled abroad, during the lengthy period of time, for which information is requested, (4 225 foreign air tickets) and taking into account the various transactions and the documents which are to be analysed, it will be extremely time consuming and will place an unreasonable burden on the resources of the SAPS to obtain the information in these categories, as requested. The information requested is not readily available in the financial accounting structure (Standard Chart of Accounts) of the SAPS and can therefore, not be extracted electronically.