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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 419**

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**Dr L A Schreiber (DA) to ask the Minister in The Presidency:**What (a) amount has The Presidency spent on (i) trips undertaken by each (aa) former President of the Republic and (bb) any other person who qualifies for benefits contained in the Policy on the Benefits of Executive Office and (ii) all other expenses related to (aa) the former Presidents and (bb) other persons who qualify for benefits contained in the specified policy since 1 January 2014? NW1391E

**REPLY:**The question is very complex and involved and could not be reasonably fully answered in the time available. We threw in a large number of finance officials, taking them out of their substantive work, to collate and analyse the data. At the time of the deadline, we had only reached and analysed about 60% of the relevant data. The response below is therefore based on about 60% of the data that could be accessed within the limited time at our disposal, while we will be proceeding with 40% analysis of the remaining data.

a) Travel expenditure (R16 789 390). Below is the breakdown per year

(i) Trips undertaken by:

(aa) former President of the Republic

(bb) any other person who qualifies for benefits contained in the Policy on the Benefits of Executive Office and

(ii) all other expenses (65 776 313). Below is the breakdown per year

(aa) the former Presidents

(bb) other persons who qualify for benefits contained in the specified policy since 1 January 2014.

Breakdown of expenses

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| **FORMER PRINCIPALS** |
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| Travel and Subsistence Other expenses**Total** | **2014/15** | **2015/16** | **2016/17** | **2017/18** | **2018/19** | **2019to date** |  |
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Date 22/08/2019

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**Hon. Jackson Mthembu, MP**

Minister in rhe Pr-sidency

Date: