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**Mr K P Sithole (IFP) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

Whether, with reference to Mr Nick Frischke, a 22-year-old German tourist who is currently missing after having been seen for the last time in the V&A Waterfront, Cape Town, on February 14, she will furnish Mr K P Sithole with the details on (a) the protocol for crimes of this nature and (b) steps her department has taken to assist in the situation; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW544E

**REPLY:**

1. The protocol is within the competency of the South African Police Services as the custodian of safety and security*.*
2. The Department was informed that a case of a missing person has been opened at Pinelands Police Stations and a search was initiated by the South African Police Services.

 The Western Cape Provincial Department of Economic Development and Tourism is in contact with the parents of the missing person and is providing aftercare support.

 The department has also informed the German Embassy, Consul and the Department of International Relations and Cooperation.