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Mr D W Bryant (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

- (1) (a) What total number of (i) rangers does the Kruger National Park (KNP) have and (ii) ranger posts are currently vacant or unfilled in the KNP and (b) for how long have the specified posts been vacant;
- (2) whether she has found that the rangers are poorly paid as compared to similar positions elsewhere; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether she will furnish Mr D W Bryant with the staff organogram or organisational chart for KNP, detailing (a) the numbers and (b) job classifications of staff in individual departments and/or organisational units; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

670. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

- (1) (a) (i) There are 415 filled ranger posts in the Kruger National Park (KNP).
(ii) There are 87 vacancies in Ranger Services.
- (b) Of the 87 vacancies in Ranger Services, 51 have been vacant for more than five years and 36 have been vacant for less than three years. Of the 87 vacancies 30 exist amongst the positions of Team Leaders, Storeman, Store Assistants and General Workers.
- (2) No current data indicate that SANParks rangers are poorly paid relative to rangers elsewhere. The structure and quantum of remuneration and benefits packages for rangers vary between the public and private sector, and within different government entities that employ rangers.
- (3) (a) The KNP Organogram is attached as Annexure A.
- (b) The job classifications of staff in individual departments and/or organisational units at the KNP are attached as Annexure B.

Regards



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MS B D CREECY, MP
MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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