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**704. Ms L L van der Merwe (IFP) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

(1) (a) What number of foreign nationals are currently receiving grants from the SA Social Security Agency and (b) from which countries do they originate;

(2) what number of (a) documented and (b) undocumented foreign nationals are currently receiving help from her department during the period of the national state of disaster? NW906E

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**REPLY:**

1(a) The number of foreign nationals in receipt of social grants as at January 2020 is 48 062.

(b) SASSA does not record the countries from which these citizens emanate, so is unable to provide that detail.

2(a) A total of 112 foreign nationals have received support in the form of social relief of distress (food parcels) since 1 April 2020.

(b) No undocumented foreign nationals have received assistance from SASSA during the period of the disaster.