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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**811. Ms L L van der Merwe (IFP) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:**

(1) What number of temporary asylum-seeker permits (a) have been automatically renewed since the national state of disaster was declared and (b) have been active since 4 May 2020;

(2) (a) what number of refugees are currently within the borders of the Republic and (b) from which country does each refugee originate? NW1014E

**REPLY:**

1. a) None.

b) There are **118 842** asylum seekers with a permit expiry date after 4 May 2020.

1. a) As at 31 March 2020 there were **80 758** refugees with active section 24 certificates recorded on the National Immigration Information System (NIIS).

b)

| **Country** | **Total** |
| --- | --- |
| Afghanistan | 8 |
| Algeria | 4 |
| Angola | 25 |
| Bahamas | 1 |
| Bangladesh | 206 |
| Benin | 3 |
| Bulgaria | 5 |
| Burundi | 2737 |
| Cambodia | 1 |
| Cameroon | 341 |
| Central African Republic | 9 |
| Chad | 3 |
| Comoros | 2 |
| Congo | 4668 |
| DRC | 24033 |
| East Timor | 1 |
| Egypt | 7 |
| Eritrea | 1625 |
| Estonia | 3 |
| Ethiopia | 15853 |
| Gabon | 1 |
| Ghana | 7 |
| Guinea Bissau | 1 |
| India | 4 |
| Iran | 1 |
| Iraq | 15 |
| Ivory Coast | 28 |
| Jordan | 3 |
| Kenya | 142 |
| Lebanon | 1 |
| Liberia | 48 |
| Macau | 2 |
| Malawi | 8 |
| Mali | 5 |
| Morocco | 4 |
| Niger | 3 |
| Nigeria | 11 |
| Oman | 2 |
| Pakistan | 11 |
| Palestine | 40 |
| Russia | 10 |
| Rwanda | 1128 |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis | 1 |
| Senegal | 3 |
| Serbia | 1 |
| Sierra Leone | 21 |
| Solomon Islands | 7 |
| Somalia | 24972 |
| Sri Lanka | 11 |
| Sudan | 99 |
| Swaziland | 7 |
| Sweden | 1 |
| Syria | 42 |
| Tanzania | 35 |
| Togo | 12 |
| Turkey | 5 |
| Uganda | 468 |
| Ukraine | 3 |
| Yemen | 3 |
| Zambia | 60 |
| Zimbabwe | 3997 |
| **Grand Total** | **80758** |

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