**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION NO. 895-2021**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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“**Mrs V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture.**

(a) What amount was donated to (i) his department and (ii) the National Arts Council for COVID-19 relief funds, (b) on what date was the money donated and (c) what are the details of its distribution? **NW1065E**

**REPLY.**

(a)(i). The Department of Sport, Arts and Culture was allocated R665 million of the Presidential Employment Stimulus Programme (PESP).

(ii). Out the allocation, the National Arts Council (NAC) was allocated R300 Million to implement the PESP focusing on job retention and job creation to the arts, culture and heritage sector.

* R200 million was allocated for job creation
* R100 million was allocated for job retention
* 5 % (per cent) of the total allocation was set aside for administration

(b). The call was made on 31 October 2020 and closed on 27 November 2020, the contract was signed by on 3 November and payment effected on 30 November 2020.

(c). Ddetails of the distribution are attached in ANNEXURE B with a list of over 1200 beneficiaries.

