

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION 612

DATE OF PUBLICATION OF INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER: 18/07/2014

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Ms N I Tarabella Marchesi (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

- (1) How many (a) international and (b) domestic hotel bookings were made by (i) her, (ii) her predecessors and (iii) departmental officials attending (aa) workshops, (bb) seminars, (cc) oversight visits or (dd) any other relevant meetings of the relevant portfolio committee from 1 April 2013 up to the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) in respect of each specified booking, what was the (a) date, (b) name of the hotel, (c) number of delegates, (d) cost of the hotel booking for each delegate and (e) the nature of the relevant portfolio business dealt with? NW/695E

RESPONSE

- (1)(a) No international hotel bookings were made by the Minister, his or her predecessors, Members of Parliament and department officials serving on the basic education portfolio committee between 1 April 2013 to 9 July 2014.
- (1)(b) 101 domestic hotel bookings were made by the Minister, his or her predecessors, Members of Parliament and department officials serving on the basic education portfolio committee between 1 April 2013 to 9 July 2014 in the course of attending:
- (i) workshops: 0
 - (ii) seminars: 0
 - (iii) oversight visits: 17
 - (iv) any other meetings relevant to the portfolio committee's business: 84
- (2) Please see the attached table.

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(i) Date	(ii) Name of hotel	(iii) Number of delegates	(iv) Cost of hotel booking per delegate	(v) Nature of business
16 April 2013	Garden Court De Waal Southern Sun Waterfront	2	R1343.60 R1782.28	Budget review: Education Labour Relations Council (ELRC)
17 April 2013		1		Budget review: Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training (Umalusi)
23 April 2013	Garden Court De Waal Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront No booking (1)	4	R1242.60 R1795.53 R1795.53	Budget review: Education Labour Relations Council (ELRC)
30 April 2013	Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront	2	R1795.53 R1795.53	Budget review: Education Labour Relations Council (ELRC)
14 May 2013	Southern Sun Waterfront No booking(1)	2	R5892.33	Briefing by the South African Human Rights Commission on the Charter of Children's Basic Education Rights
28 May 2013	Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront No booking (1)	4	R4984.03 R4812.03	Briefing by the Department of Basic Education (DBE) on: •Progress Report on Teacher

	Southern Sun Cape Sun		R1972.83	Vacancies •Progress Report on Procurement and Delivery of LTSM
4 June 2013	No booking (1) Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront Garden Court De Waal Southern Sun Waterfront	6	R1990.53 R2075.48 R1900.53 R1387.62 R1795.53	Briefing by the Department of Basic Education (DBE) on 4th Quarter Report
11 June 2013	Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Cape Sun Southern Sun Waterfront	3	Not available R1960.83 R3669.28	Briefing by the Departments of Higher Education and Training and Basic Education on Teacher Development •Briefing by the Department of Basic Education on Progress and Preparations for Introduction of African Languages in Schools
18 June 2013	Townhouse Hotel	1	R1133.28	Briefing on Early Childhood Development by: -Department of Basic Education (DBE) -Department of Social Development (DSD) -Department of Performance

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					Monitoring and Evaluation (DPME)
30 July – 2 August 2013	Welkom Inn Hotel Dunns Castle Guest House Dunns Castle Guest House Southern Sun Bloemfontein	5		Not available R1007.28 R1007.28 R1685.88	Oversight visits to rural and farm multi-grade schools in Free State and Western Cape Provinces
10 September 2013	Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront	4		R5287.83 R3845.58 R2053.53 R2055.53	Briefing by Department of Basic Education (DBE) on the following: •Annual National Assessments (ANA) 2013 •National Senior Certificate (NSC) Examination Readiness 2013
11 September 2013	No booking (1) Southern Sun Waterfront Protea Hotel Fire&Ice Protea Hotel Fire&Ice Hilton Hotel	5		R3765.28 R1717.03 R1537.73 R4234.28	Progress made with regards to section 100 (1) (b) in intervention in Limpopo and Eastern Cape Provinces
9 October 2013	No booking (2) Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront Vineyard	12		R5323.93 R5278.23 R2665.28	Annual Report Briefing: Department of Basic Education

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	Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Cape Sun Fusion Boutique Southern Sun Waterfront Inn on the Square Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront		R3500.28 R2016.73 R4363.88 R5379.73 R2527.28 R1795.43 R3868.48	
10 October 2013	Southern Sun Waterfront	3	R1950.43	Annual Report Briefing: South African Council for Educators (SACE) & Education Labour Relations Council (ELRC)
11 October 2013	Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Cullinan No booking (1) Southern Sun Waterfront Southern Sun Waterfront Garden Court De Waal	9	Not available R1885.83 R1835.43 R1950.43 R3950.65	Briefing by Department of Basic Education on the 1st Quarter Report 2013/14
15 October 2013	No booking (2) Lagoon Beach Hotel Lagoon Beach Hotel	4	R2027.28 R2610.00	Annual Report Briefing - Umalusi
29 October 2013	Southern Sun Waterfront No booking (2)	3	R1980.43	(i) Briefing by Department of Basic Education (DBE) on Printing, Publishing and Procurement processes i.r.o LTSM (ii) Consideration and adoption of outstanding Draft Reports and Draft Minutes
5 November 2013	No booking (2)	4		(i) Briefing by the South African Institute for Drug-Free

	Protea Hotel Victoria Junction Southern Sun Waterfront		R1904.73 R1972.43	Sport (SAIDS) on doping in school sport (ii) Briefing by the Department of Basic Education (DBE) on the Role of DBE in Delivering the Curriculum: Physical Education (PE) (iii) Adoption of outstanding draft minutes and draft reports
28-31 January 2014	Garden Court Mthatha Southern Sun Garden Court Kimberley Akua Yaa Boutique Riverside Hotel Akua Yaa Boutique Riverside Hotel Garden Court Kimberley Rosebella B&B Dans Country Lodge and events centre Akua Yaa Boutique Aligio Guest House Riverside Lodge	7	R3688.86 R1464.77 R3327.28 R1253.28 R3327.28 R1073.28 Not available R1687.28 R2117.28 R4847.28 Not available	Oversight visit to Qumbu and Sterkspruit Districts in the Eastern Cape
18 February 2014	No booking (4) Southern Sun Waterfront Garden Court De Waal Southern Sun Cape Sun Townhouse Hotel Inn on the Square Southern Sun Cape Sun	12	R2045.23 R2538.26 R3491.38 R2567.28 R2753.28 R3596.38	(i) Briefing by the Department of Basic Education (DBE) and the Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training (Umalusi) on the National Senior Certificate

	Southern Sun Cape Sun Protea Hotel Fire&Ice		R1789.33- R1767.63	(NSC) Examinations Results 2013 (ii) Briefing by DBE on Annual National Assessment (ANA) 2013 (iii) Briefing by DBE on Second Quarterly Report 2013/14
18 February 2014	No booking (3)	3		Progress report on ASIDI programme
19 February 2014	Southern Sun Cape Sun	3	Not available	Briefing by the Department of Basic Education and Umalusi on the 2013 Grade 12 results
19 February 2014		1		Briefing by the Minister of Basic Education and the Minister of Women, Children and People with Disabilities on the access of children with disabilities to schools.
26 February 2014	City Lodge Grandwest	1	R1304.35	Briefing by the Department of Basic Education on the schools health and safety programme
1 July 2014	No booking (2) Southern Sun Newlands Southern Sun Newlands Southern Sun Newlands	15	Not available	Strategic Plan, 2014/15 APP and 2014/15 financials

	Protea Hotel Fire&Ice Southern Sun Newlands Southern Sun Newlands Southern Sun Waterfront Garden Court Nelson Mandela Boulevard Garden Court Nelson Mandela Boulevard Garden Court Nelson Mandela Boulevard Protea Hotel Fire&Ice			
8 July 2014	Protea Hotel Sea Point Southern Sun Cape Sun Garden Court Nelson Mandela Boulevard Townhouse Hotel Strand Tower Hotel	5	Not available	ELRC Budget Review SACE Budget Review Umalusi Budget Review
9 July 2014	Southern Sun Newlands Southern Sun Cape Sun No booking (4) Garden Court Nelson Mandela Boulevard Southern Sun Newlands	10	Not available	Strategic Plan, 2014/15 APP and 2014/15 financials

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Unavailable – The Department has not yet been invoiced by the travel agency.

No booking – Accommodation was not required.

(n) – number of officials