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**SUBJECT : RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY
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Enclosed herewith please find attached responses to above-mentioned written reply.

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MEC FOR TRANSPORT, SAFETY AND LIAISON
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748. Mr R S Stevenson to ask the MEC responsible for Safety and Liaison: .

- (1) (a) How many stock theft units are there in the province for the (i) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) where is each unit located;

RESPONSE TO QUESTION 1	
(a)	
(i) 2018/19	(ii) 2019/20
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(b)	
ALFRED NDZO DISTRICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bizana Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Maluti Stock Theft and Endangered Species (Mount Fletcher is a Satellite)
AMATHOLE DISTRICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alice Stock Theft and Endangered Species • King William's Town Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Butterworth Stock Theft and Endangered Species
BUFFALO DISTRICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East London Stock Theft and Endangered Species • King William's Town Stock Theft and Endangered Species (Sutterheim Satellite)
CHRIS HANI DISTRICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Queenstown Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Cradock Stock Theft and Endangered Species (Middleburg Stock Theft Satellite) • Elliot Stock Theft and Endangered Species
JOE GQABI DISTRICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elliot Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Barkly East Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Sterkspruit Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Aliwal North Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Maluti Stock Theft and

	Endangered Species
NELSON MANDELA BAY DISTRICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uitenhage Stock Theft and Endangered Species
OR TAMBO DISRICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mthatha Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Mqanduli Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Tsolo Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Qumbu Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Flagstaff Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Dalasile (Newly established Stock Theft Unit to be opened soon)
SARAH BAARTMAN DISTRICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graaff- Reinet Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Somerset East Stock Theft and Endangered Species • Jeffreys Bay Stock Theft and Endangered Species (Willowmore Stock Theft Satellite) • Grahamstown Stock Theft and Endangered Species

- (2) (a) how many vehicles have been allocated to these units, as per the breakdown of the financial years mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) can she kindly provide the number of vehicles, per unit in this regard;

RESPONSE TO QUESTION 2	
(a)	
2018/2019	2019/2020
The unit had 144 vehicles on the above mentioned financial year.	The Unit has 149 Vehicles in total.
(b)	
2018/2019	2019/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alice – 5 • Aliwal North – 6 • Barkly East – 8 • Butterworth – 6 • Cradock – 7 • East London – 4 • Elliot – 8 • Flagstaff – 7 • Graaff - Reinet – 4 • Grahamstown – 11 • Jeffreysbay – 5 • King William's Town – 12 • Maluti – 5 • Bizana – 8 • Mqanduli – 3 • Mthatha – 6 • Queenstown – 8 • Qumbu – 6 • Somerset East – 6 • Sterkspruit – 7 • Tsolo – 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alice – 6 • Aliwal North – 6 • Barkly East – 8 • Butterworth – 6 • Cradock – 7 • East London – 4 • Elliot – 8 • Flagstaff – 7 • Graaff - Reinet – 4 • Grahamstown – 11 • Jeffreysbay – 5 • King William's Town – 12 • Maluti – 6 • Bizana – 8 • Mqanduli – 3 • Mthatha – 7 • Queenstown – 9 • Qumbu – 7 • Somerset East – 6 • Sterkspruit – 7 • Tsolo – 5 • Uitenhage - 7

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uitenhage - 7 	Total- 149
Total- 144	

- (3) whether her Department anticipates any additional vehicles will be supplied to these units; if so, (a) when will they be supplied, (b) how much has been budgeted in this regard and (c) over which financial period;

RESPONSE TO QUESTION 3

- (a) The Department will allocate additional vehicles to these units, before the end of the financial year.
 (b) +- 5 million
 (c) 2019/2020 financial year.

- (4) whether there was an increase in stock theft during the festive season; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;

RESPONSE TO QUESTION 4

The Eastern Cape experienced a decrease in stock-theft for the peak holiday season (13 December 2019 to 06 January 2020).

- (5) what steps her Department envisages to take with a view to curbing increased stock theft in the province, particularly during the festive season?

RESPONSE TO QUESTION 5

Stock Theft Crime and related matters decreased dramatically because of SAPS visibility, patrols and task teams that were in place.

Patrols, way lays as well as multi-disciplinary approach and joint venture with other stakeholders particularly Commercial Farmers, communal Farmers Meat Inspectors, health Inspectors as well as Small Holdings Farmers by performing patrols, visiting unlicensed Butcheries, Chisa Nyama abattoirs and Feedlots.

Monitoring of all Speculators, who are buying suspected livestock as well as unbranded livestock by holding VCP's to all roads.

Special Task Teams to investigate all new cases and do follow up immediately to affect arrests.

Horse Patrollers, community involvement to police them selves

Visiting of all outlets where livestock is being sold
 Education drive on branding, Awareness campaigns of enralling and herding their livestock daily