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Ms H S Winkler (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

With regard to access to replies to parliamentary questions on her department's website, (a) what are the reasons that only replies to the seven most recent parliamentary questions are available on her department's website under media, with no replies available for prior dates and (b) when will the replies to all parliamentary questions related to her department be made available on the department's website as was previously the case?

4084. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

(a) (b) The Rules of the National Assembly (9th Edition), 2016 outline the form and placing of parliamentary questions for reply by Members of Parliament, they do not stipulate that responses to parliamentary questions need to be uploaded to the website of the Department in question. However, written questions between a Member and a Minister are done on public record (in line with Section 55(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa). Responses to parliamentary questions can be found on Parliament's website, or on the website of the Parliamentary Monitoring group at https://pmg.org.za/committee/108/.

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MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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