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(For written reply)

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Ms T Breedt (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

- (1) What are the total costs incurred to date in the matter of Humane Society International-Africa (HIS) vs her department regarding the quotas set for the hunting and/or export of rhino, elephant and leopard;
- (2) whether she will make a statement on the matter; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

3419. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

- 1) To date, the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) has incurred a total cost of R522 437,50 in the matter of the Trustees of the Humane Society International – Africa Trust / Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (Case number: 6939/22).
- 2) The Minister will not be making a statement at this stage due to the fact that Part B of the matter is yet to be heard before the High Court.

The court application that was made by the Trustees for the time being of the Humane Society International – Africa Trust was in two parts. The court has handed down a judgement in relation to Part A of the matter while Part B is set down to be heard on 22 January 2024 before the High Court of the Western Cape Division, Cape Town.



MS B D CREECY, MP
MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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