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

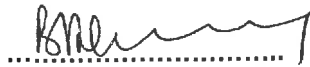
What total number of snares were (a) identified and (b) removed in the Kruger National Park in each year since 1 January 2000 up to 31 December 2022?

**3921. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:**

- a) All identified snares in National Parks are immediately removed. Since 2016, 21 765 snares were identified and removed in the Kruger National Park.
- b) From 2016, the Kruger National Park deployed technology to assist rangers with anti-poaching activities. The technology also assisted greatly in collecting information on poaching related activities such as snaring.

The table below provides the number of snares removed in the Kruger National Park from 2016 to 2022. Due to lack of technology prior 2016, there is no snare data available before 2016.

Kruger National Park	Number of snares removed
2016	1 080
2017	863
2018	1 528
2019	2 771
2020	3 029
2021	4 935
2022	7 559
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>21 765</b>



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**MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

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