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MINISTER

QUESTION NO. 1216 FOR WRITTEN REPLY: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

A draft reply to Mr T Z Hadebe (DA) to the above-mentioned question is enclosed for your consideration.

MS NOSIPHO NGCABA DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE:

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

MRS B E E MOLEWA, MP MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

DATE:

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

(For written reply)

QUESTION NO. 1216 (NW1356E)

INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 12 of 2016

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Mr T Z Hadebe (DA) to ask the Minister of Environmental Affairs:

With reference to the takeover by the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of the function

of monitoring the usage of marine resources from Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, what measures and plans

has her department put in place to ensure the conservation and monitoring of the marine resources on

the KwaZulu-Natal provincial coastline?

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1216. THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS REPLIES:

The Department of Environmental Affairs continues to have a contract with Ezemvelo KwaZulu-Natal

Wildlife and iSimangaliso Wetland Park Authority. The Department of Environmental Affairs has

structured monitoring plans and arrangements with Ezemvelo KwaZulu-Natal Wildlife. These include

monitoring the KwaZulu-Natal Marine Protected Areas and the New Proposed Marine Protected Areas

included in the recently gazetted 22 Network of Marine Protected Areas (for public comments) under

Operation Phakisa: Ocean Economy.

The plan in this financial year 2016/2017 from 15 to 19 August 2016 is for the Department of

Environmental Affairs to host another training programme for officials of Ezemvelo KwaZulu-Natal on

the management of the Marine Protected Areas.

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