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Ms A M M Weber (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

With regard to Decision 14.69 of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora which requires that facilities restrict their populations to the extent that they only support the conservation of wild tigers, what (a) proof does her department require from the facilities in order to establish their contribution to conservation, (b) total number of the facilities have been audited in terms of the requirement and (c) were the results thereof?

1946. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

- (a) CITES Decision 14.69 is directed to Appendix I Asian big cat range States. South Africa is not a range State of Asian big cats.
- (b) Decision 14.69 is not applicable to South Africa and, therefore, the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE); hence, no audits were conducted in terms of the said decision.
- (c) See the responses provided in paragraphs (a) and (b).

Regards

MS B D CREECY, MP MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT DATE: 31/05/2022