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**(For written reply)**

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**Mr D W Bryant (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:**

- (1) Whether all the rhino horn stockpiles that are being kept at SA National Parks' rhino stockpiles at a number of unidentified locations across the Republic have been profiled for DNA; if not, what percentage of the stockpiles have been (a) profiled and (b) entered into the Rhino DNA Index System database; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether any thefts from the stockpiles have been reported in the past two years; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

**1977. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:**

- (1) (a) 71,5% of rhino horns in the SANParks care have been profiled.  
(b) 71,5%. All rhino horns collected since 2012 have been marked and sampled according to the *National Norms and Standards for Marking of Rhinoceros Horn in South Africa* and this includes DNA sampling.
- (2) No theft of rhino horn has taken place under the care of SANParks.

Regards

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**MS B D CREECY, MP**

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

**DATE: 2/06/2022**