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Mr A B Cloete (Free State: FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

- (1) Whether her department has issued any directives regarding the management of the environment in the (a) Nketoana and (b) Masilonyana Local Municipalities in the Free State; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (i) what are the specific details of such directives, (ii) what were the responses from each local municipality in this regard and (iii) what are the further relevant details;
- (2) whether she will make a statement on the matter?

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

(1) The Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries has not issued any directives to either the (a) Nketoana or (b) the Masilonyana Local Municipalities in the Free State.

However, the Free State Department of Economic, Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs has taken enforcement action against these municipalities in the past, specifically in 2010 and 2014. Kindly contact the Free State Department of Economic, Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental for further details in this regard.

(2) Please ask the relevant department to make such a statement.

Regards

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MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

DATE: 24 JUNE 2020