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Mrs C Phillips (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

What number of animals listed as Threatened or Protected Species (TOPS) of each species have been killed by (a) the Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Game Park authorities and (b) members of the surrounding communities in each year since 1 January 2014?

338. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES

The information required is not within the purview of the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF). In terms of section 87A (2) of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004), the Member of the Executive Council (MEC) is the issuing authority responsible for deciding on an application for any permit not listed in section 87A (1) (a). Therefore, this means that all other applications from Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Game Park authorities and private individuals are lodged with the provincial issuing authorities, except as indicated in section 87A (1).

The Honourable Member is therefore advised to pose the question through the Kwa-Zulu Natal Provincial Legislature to the MEC of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs in KwaZulu-Natal as the responsible issuing authority.

Regards



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**MS B D CREECY, MP
MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

DATE: 4/3/2021.....