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672. Mrs V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development:

- (1) Whether she will furnish Mrs V van Dyk with a copy of the (a) report from Independent Elections Facilitators of Southern Africa that the Richtersveld Communal Property Association (CPA) election process was declared free and fair and that all objections have been attended to and resolved as submitted to the Office of the Director-General and (b) proof that the CPA membership list was updated to the date before the election in 2021; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether she will furnish Mrs V van Dyk with the (a) documents submitted to the office of the Director-General, (b) attendance registers of persons who were eligible to vote and (c) number of persons who voted, (d) counted votes; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT:

(1),(2)(a),(b),(c),(d) No. In terms of section (8)(3)(c) of the Communal Property Associations Act No. 28 of 1996, on request and on payment of the prescribed fee, the Registration Officer shall provide members of the public with information contained in the register and with a copy of the constitution of any registered association or similar entity. The Promotion of Access to Information Act No. 2 of 2000 (PAIA) provides the process to be followed to access information from a public body and the Protection of Access to Personal Information Act No. 4 of 2013 takes precedence in relation to personal information that may be held by a public body.