

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR ORAL REPLY

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Mr D A Kganare (Cope) to ask the Minister of Finance:

- (1) With reference to his reply to question 668 on 30 July 2012, what was the total amount spent by organs of state for purchasing tickets for the 2010 Fifa World Cup Soccer tournament;
- (2) whether he has found that the specified purchases were made in compliance with financial management legislation and regulations; if not,
- (3) whether he has found any government officials that have been held accountable for purchases of 2010 Fifa World Cup Soccer tournament tickets; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY:

- (1) The National Treasury is not in receipt of individual amounts spent by organs of state for the purchasing of tickets for the 2010 FIFA World Cup soccer tournament. In this regard, it is suggested that this information be requested individually from all spending agencies. The honourable member will also note that all national and provincial spending agencies included this information in their annual financial statements to enable the respective

oversight structures and committees to exercise supervision effectively and where necessary hold the agencies or officials accountable.

- (2) National, provincial and local government entities are subjected to annual audits that include the audits of their annual financial statements, their predetermined objectives and audits on their compliance with laws and regulations. In this regard, it does not appear that the Auditor-General identified any inappropriate spending on 2010 FIFA World Cup soccer tickets. In the event that the Auditor-General had found inappropriate spending, the respective oversight structures and committees would have had to hold the respective agencies accountable.
- (3) My response to Question 2 above negates a response to this question.