**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**1777. Mr M W Rabotapi (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade and Industry:**

Does (a) he, (b) his Deputy Minister or (c) any of the heads of entities or bodies reporting to him make use of security services paid for by the State for (i) him/herself, (ii) his/her immediate family members or (iii) any of their staff members; in each case (aa) what are the reasons for it, (bb) from which department or entity’s budget is the security services being paid, and (cc) what are the relevant details?NW1983E

**Response (a)(b)(i)(ii)(iii)**

The Minister and Deputy Minister make use only of the security services offered in terms of the Ministerial Handbook. Such security services are provided only to the Minister and Deputy Minister and not family or staff members.

(aa) VIP Drivers/Protectors are appointed to provide security and driving services to the Minister/Deputy Minister.

(bb) The South African Police Services (SAPS) is responsible for the payment of such services.

(cc) These services comply with the provisions of the Ministerial Handbook.

(c) c(i) c(ii) c(iii) (aa) (bb) (cc)

The Head of **the dti**’s listed entities do not make use of security services paid for by the state for themselves, nor their families nor any of their staff members.