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PQ2016/238. Mr A M Matlhoko (EFF) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

Whether he and/or his department has bought advertising space in *The New Age* in the (a) 2012-13, (b) 2013-14 and (c) 2014-15 financial years; if so, (i) what number of times and (ii) for what amount in each specified financial year? NW241E

**Reply:**

Below is the response regarding the advertising space bought by the Department of Cooperative Governance in the New Age during the financial years 2012-13; 2013-14 and 2014 -2015

(a) 2012 - 2013 Financial year:

The Department of Cooperative Governance participated in one business briefing organised by The New Age Media in December 2012 which provided an opportunity to the Minister to engage with stakeholders and the public on local government matters and traditional affairs, through a live TV broadcast on SABC. The cost for this initiative amounted to R 486 255 - 60.

(b) 2013 - 2014 Financial year:

The Department did not buy any advertising space in the New Age during the 2013-2014 financial year.

(c) 2014 - 2015 Financial year:

The Department did not buy any advertising space in the New Age during the 2014-2015 financial year.