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**Mrs M R Shinn (DA) to ask the Minister of Telecommunications and Postal Services:**

Was a report generated following the ministerial delegation’s visit to Mexico in December 2016; if so, what are the (a) key findings of the report and (b) impact these findings have had on his department’s approach to South Africa’s proposed national wireless open access network? NW1133E

**REPLY:**

**I have been advised by the Department as follows:**

No official report was compiled after the Mexico visit in December 2016. The purpose of the visit was to understand how Mexico established and operated their wholesale open access wireless network called Red Compartida. The visit follwed several months after the approval of the National Integrated ICT Policy White Paper in September 2016.

(a) No key findings were made as the delegation focused on understanding Red Compartida.

(b) Not applicable.