**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**131. Mr G G Hill-Lewis (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade and Industry:**

(1) (a)Why did Proudly South Africa participate in South Africa’s delegation to the World Economic Forum’s 2016 Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland and (b) what was the total cost of their participation, including (i) travel, (ii) subsistence and (iii) the events they hosted or sponsored;

(2) how does Proudly South African’s participation at Davos correlate with its mandate?NW131E

**Response**:

1. (a)The Chief Executive Officer and staff of Proudly South Africa (PSA) report to a Board appointed through the Trade and Investment Chamber of the National Economic Development and Labour Council (NEDLAC). With the possible exception of members of this Board having participated in their own or other capacity at the World Economic Forum (WEF) representatives of Proudly SA did not travel to the World Economic Forum which took place in Davos, Switzerland.

(b)Consequently, Proudly SA did not incur any costs associated with the World Economic Forum with respect to (i) travel; (ii) subsistence and (iii) events hosted or sponsored.

1. No correlation is possible or required since PSA did not participate.