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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

What steps is she taking to ensure that the disbursement of funds from the Media Development and Diversity Agency (MDDA) to its grant beneficiaries is not delayed, as was the case in the 2015-16 financial year, with specific reference to (a) the tranche release process and (b)   reported noncompliance in respect of project reporting?     NW142E

**REPLY: MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Based on critical assessment of each project we have revised disbursement to three or two tranches, however on new projects that require monitoring it is four tranches.
2. The MDDA increased on-site capacity building and support on reporting, this includes close monitoring of those projects that delay reporting, projects that are non-compliant are visited and given necessary support on issues such obtaining tax clearance certificates, holding Annual General Meetings and challenges with financial management and reporting.

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