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**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**Minister**

**National Assembly question for written reply: Question 1412**

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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 1412 ADVANCE NOTICE NO: NW1554E**

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**1412. Mr T J Brauteseth (DA) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources:**

What (a) is the total amount spent by his department on legal fees (i) in the (aa) 2014-15, (bb) 2015-16 and (cc) 2016-17 financial years and (ii) since 1 April 2017 and (b) are the (i) details, (ii) outcomes and (iii) costs of each case? NW1554E

**Reply**

1. **The total amount spent by the department on legal fees in the (i) 2014/15,2015/16 and 2016/17 financial year amounts to (aa) R7.900 million, (bb) R6,476 million and (cc) R11.213 million respectively. The actual expenditure since (ii) 1 April 2017 is R924 thousands.**
2. **The Department’s accounting system is not designed to produce information on the details outcomes and costs of each case. The Department of Justice through its various State Attorney Offices, is responsible to effect payment of legal costs incurred by various departments. The Department in turn effects payment to the Department of Justice through standard interdepartmental processes.**

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**Mr MJ Zwane, MP**

**Minister of Mineral Resources**

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