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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO.1479**

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**1479. Mr B S Madlingozi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs**

What prompted his department to write a letter giving the Premier of Eastern Cape, Mr Oscar Mabuyane, the right to establish an international port of entry in an unused former homeland airport in Bisho? NW1712E

**REPLY:**

The Minister of Home Affairs had at no stage given Mr Oscar Mabuyane, “*the right to establish an international port of entry in an unused former homeland airport in Bisho”*

Upon receipt of the request/application, the Minister acted in terms of section 9A of the Immigration Act 13 of 2002 to designate Bulembu Airport in (Bhisho) as a port of entry and exit.

The Minister took steps to comply with regulation 8 of the Immigration Act.

**END**