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**1501. Ms B S Masango (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

(1) Whether her department was approached by any political party for any form of funding (a) in the (i) 2013-14, (ii) 2014-15 and (iii) 2015-16 financial years and (b) since 1 April 2016; if so, what are the relevant details in each case;

(2) whether her department provided any form of funding to any political party (a) in the (i) 2013-14, (ii) 2014-15 and (iii) 2015-16 financial years and (b) since 1 April 2016; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details in each case? NW1672E

Response:

(1)(a)(i)-(iii) No, the Department of Basic Education was never approached by any Political Party for any form of funding in the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 financial years.

(1)(b) No, the Department of Basic Education has not been approached by any Political Party for any form of funding since 1 April 2016.

(2)(a)(i)-(iii) No, the Department of Basic Education never provided any Political Party with any form of funding in the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 financial years.

(2)(b) No, the Department of Basic Education has not provided any Political Party with any form of funding since 1 April 2016 and has no position in this regard.