**1516. Mr L J Basson (DA) to ask the Minister of Labour:**

**(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) 2015-15 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?**

**Minister of Labour replied:**

(1)The Department of Labour was not 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;

(2)(a) The Department of Labour did not provide any form of funding to any political party in the (i) 2013-14, (ii) 2014-15 and (iii) 2015-15 financial years and (b) since 1 April 2016.

(2)(b)The Department of Labour is funded by way of appropriation and therefore cannot fund any political party. NW1`687E