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**1597.Mrs D van der Walt (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:  to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

Whether she contacted the elected representatives of the organised home-schooling community during her extensive consultation process relating to the Covid-19 pandemic; if not, why not; if so,

(a)(i) who was consulted and

(ii) on what date and

(b) what were the outcomes in each case?

**Response**

Yes, the Minister contacted Home Education Associations during her extensive consultation process relating to the Covid-19 pandemic.

(a)(i) The following representatives of Home Education Associations attended the meeting: Bouwer Van der Eems; Natasha Yazbek; Phillip Doubell; Ponnie Moodley; Shaun Green; Karim van Oostrum; Christopher Cordeiro; Uda de Wet; Peter Reynolds; Nunuki; Rebbeka Liebenberg; Debbie Lemmer; and Mrs Ueckermann.

(ii) 05 May 2020

(iii) The Department of Basic Education shared their plans to the associations. The parties agreed to collaborate and update each other regarding developments and implementation of the Policy on Home Education.