**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION NO. 1672-2021**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 16 –2021, DATE OF PUBLICATION 04 June 2021:**

**Mr T W Mhlongo (DA) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

Whether he will furnish details regarding the (a) timeline and (b) processes that will lead to the PE Opera House being gazetted as a cultural institution as he reported a year ago and recently during budget vote 37 that it will be awarded the status according to the cultural institutions act, act 119 of 1998; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?  **NW1880E**

**REPLY**:

1. & (b). Mandela Bay Theatre Complex previously known as PE Opera House has been gazetted and declared as a Cultural Institution. The declaration was signed by Minister and announced on 31 May 2021; it was then published on June 4, 2021.