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 **Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**National Assembly : 1687**

Please find attached a response to Parliamentary Questionfor **written reply** asked by **Ms P Madokwe (EFF) to the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**



**Ms N Ngcwabe**

**DDG: Mining, Minerals and Energy Policy Development**

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**Ms P Gamede**

**Acting Director General: Department of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**Mr. S.G Mantashe**

**Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy**

**………………/………………/2022**

**1687.** **Ms P Madokwe (EFF) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

In light of the recent results of the Fraser Institute's Annual Survey of Mining Companies 2021, wherein the Republic was ranked as the world’s 10th least attractive mining destination, what (a) has he found to have been the reasons to influence this and (b) steps will be taken by his department to guarantee that the mining industry in the Republic remains lucrative and appealing to investors? **NW2012E**

**Reply**

The Department gazetted the Exploration Strategy recently and key areas of influence were identified. Government and social partners will address these to improve the country’s investment attractiveness within the next five years.

There are logistical (rail and freight), regulatory (water and environmental licensing) and security challenges which fall outside the mandate of the DMRE.