

**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE & MILITARY VETERANS**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**1711. Mr S Esau (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:**

(1) What was the (a) nature of the technical problem that the presidential jet Inkwazi developed while the President, Mr Jacob G Zuma, was on a visit to the Republic of Burundi in February 2016 and (b) cost of leasing a standby aircraft to transport the President back to South Africa;

(2) whether the flight crew of the specified standby aircraft had the necessary security clearances to transport the President back to South Africa; if not, (a) why not and (b) what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW1957E

**REPLY**

The information required relates to the movement of the VVIP, and for security reasons, the response to this question can only be presented to a closed session of the Joint Standing Committee on Defence.