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**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**National Assembly Question: 1816**

**1816. Mr M R Bara (DA) to ask the Minister of Energy:**

1. Whether (a) his spouse and/or (b) an adult family member accompanied him on any official international trip (i) in each of the past five financial years and (ii) since 1 April 2018; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what (aa) is the name of the person(s), (bb) was the (aaa) purpose and (bbb) destination of the trip and (cc) was the (aaa) total cost and (bbb) detailed breakdown of the costs of the accompanying person(s) to his department;

(2) whether each of the specified trips were approved by the President in terms of the provisions of Section 1, Annexure A of the Ministerial Handbook; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW1975E

**Reply:**

All international trips involving my family and I in the period in question were in total compliance with the applicable prescripts that govern such trips, including costs, destinations and approval by the President.