

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**“1834. Ms L V James (DA) to ask the Minister of Small Business Development:**

**(1) Whether (a) her spouse and/or (b) an adult family member accompanied her 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 her 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?”**

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**REPLY:**

(1)(a) Minister Lindiwe Zulu has travelled with her spouse on several International trips in the past five years.

(1)(a)(aa) Mr Kgosietsile Itholeng.

 (aaa) Accompanying the Minister on the official trips.

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| **(aaa) PURPOSE** | **(bbb) DESTINATION** | **(aaa) and (bbb)** **TOTAL AND DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF THE COSTS** |
| 15 – 18 March 2015 | To attend the Global Entrepreneurship Ministerial Congress | Milan, Italy | Air travel: R 52 381.39 Subsistence and Travel (S&T): R 3 000.00  |

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| 14 - 21 October 2015 | To attend the 11th edition of the Women’s Forum Global Meeting on the Economy and SocietyTo attend The 11th South Africa – United Kingdom Bilateral Forum | Deauville, France and proceeded to UK, London | Air travel: R148 000.00 Subsistence and Travel (S&T): R 9 033.00 (for both countries):R 3 033.00 (France)R 6 000.00 (London) |
| 7 – 13 November 2015 | Official Presidential visit to the Opening of the Youth Skills Development And Employment SymposiumTo meet with Executives of the UNCTAD, ILO AND WIPO on SMME related matters | Berlin, Germany and proceeded to Geneva, Switzerland | Air travel: R 86 000.00 Subsistence and Travel (S&T): R 8 374.00 (for both countries):R 3 291.00 (Germany)R 5 083.00 (Switzerland) |
| 10 – 18 October 2016 | 8th BRICS Summit, BRICS Ministers of Trade and BRICS Trade Fair | New Delhi and Goa, India | Air travel: R 64 383.00 Subsistence and Travel (S&T): R 6 500.00  |

(1)(b) No adult family member has accompanied the Minister to official international trips in the specified timeframe.

(2) All the official trips undertaken by the Minister were approved by the President in terms of the provisions of Section 1, Annexure A of the Ministerial Handbook guidelines regarding international travel