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**Mr C MacKenzie (DA) to ask the Minister of Telecommunications and Postal Services:**

Whether the (a) board and/or (b) members of the executive management of the Universal Service and Access Agency of South Africa have undertaken any overseas trips since 1 April 2015; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (i) what was the (aa) purpose, (bb) destination, (cc) duration, (dd) programme and (ee) outcome of each overseas trip that was undertaken, (ii) who went on each of the specified trips and (iii) what is the detailed breakdown of the costs of each of the trips?  NW2300E

**REPLY:**

I have been informed by USAASA as follows:

1. Nine (9) overseas trips were undertaken by the Board members
2. Seventeen (17) overseas trips were undertaken by members of the Executive Management since 01 April 2015.

(i)(aa-ee) and (ii-iii) See attached **Annexure A** which reflects the purposes, duration, destination, outcomes and detailed cost breakdowns of the overseas trips undertaken by members of the USAASA Board and Executive Management during the period 01 April to September 2016.