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**(204). Mr Z N Mbhele (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies:**

Given the crucial importance of private sector players in the communications and digital technologies arena with regard to their expertise, resources and assets, what steps has she taken or does she plan to take towards cultivating value-creating and synergistic public-private partnerships that will contribute to the imperative of advancing the Fourth Industrial Revolution and narrowing the digital divide in the Republic? NO2350E

**REPLY**

We believe in the founding tenets of this country of a social compact between government, business, labour and the value that cooperation and collaboration with other stakeholders adds to the reach and depth of any programme.