**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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“Mr LJ Mokoena (EFF) to ask the Minister of Arts and Culture”

 Whether (a) his Department and/or (b) any entities reporting to him are funding, including by way of discretionary funding, any institution of research and development (i) domestically and/ or (ii) internationally; if so, (aa) what are the names of the specified institutions and (bb) what are their functions, (aaa) from what date had his department or any entity reporting to him been funding them and (cc) what amount has his department contributed towards such funding?  **NW2315E**

**REPLY:**

(b) The National Heritage Council is the only entity that is currently funding the research and development institutions

(i) They are domestic institutions

(aa) Humans Science Research Council (HSRC), Sol Plaatjie University and Palaeontological Scientific Trust (PAST), WITS Centre of Origins.

(bb) HSRC is conducting a research on the preservation of SA Liberation by facilitating the documentation of the history of the military veterans through autobiographies

 The Sol Plaatje University leads the research & publication which will assist to locate Black concentration camps

 Palaeontological Scientific Trust (PAST) Wits Centre of Origins is conducting an ancient heritage education tour to 30 schools in N.West, N.Cape, F.State, and Limpopo & Mpumalanga

(aaa) For the 2016/17 financial year

(cc) The HSRC research project will cost R200 000

 The Sol Plaatjie University project will cost R250 000

 The (PAST) WITS Origin Centre will cost R200 000.