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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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Mr W M Madisha (Cope) to ask the Minister of Communications:**  
Whether the Government will request the SA Broadcasting Corporation to precede one or more of its evening broadcasts in an indigenous language with a five minute vocabulary introduction in English, so as to enable listeners who wish to learn that indigenous language to prepare themselves with the necessary vocabulary to follow the news and thus begin to learn that language; if not, why not; if so, what steps will she take in this regard? NW2576E  
 **REPLY: MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**  
  
If news were required to give up five minutes of the bulletin, the SABC will hardly be left with enough time to do the stories that are already limited.  
  
The SABC Television and SABC Education are already providing an invaluable service as per its mandate and the ICASA license conditions

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[ACTING] DIRECTOR GENERAL   
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS  
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MS AF MUTHAMBI, MP  
MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS  
DATE:  
  
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