###### National Assembly

###### Question Number: 2319

**2319. Mr D Macpherson (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(a) What is the status of the plan to standardize a national number plate format and (b) what is the expected time line before this happens including (i) public hearings, (ii) legislative amendments and (iii) the period before motorists must comply with the changes?

**REPLY**

1. MINMEC at its meeting held on the 5th September 2014 resolved on standardisation and regulation of number plates in the Republic, and a Task Team was established to look into the current value chain of number plates through consultative process with provinces, a process which was concluded during November 2015.
2. (i) & (iii) As the process of consultation with other relevant stakeholders like the National Treasury is still underway, and having consulted with the Government Communication Information System on the matter, a final roll-out plan will be drafted and communicated accordingly with specific timelines set.

(ii) The National Road Traffic Regulations have been published for public comments during January 2015 and all provinces have been engaged on the proposed amendments, which will only be finalised once all consultation is concluded.