NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**QUESTION NO. 2461 - 2017**

#### FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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**“Mr L G Mokoena (EFF) to ask the Minister of Arts and Culture:**

What is the total number of statues that were built or commissioned before 1994 that exist in the country, (b) where are the statues situated and (c) what are the statues made of? NW2718.

**REPLY:**

1. The heritage resources designated as National Monuments (including statues and memorials but also other types of heritage resources) built or commissioned before 1994 are recorded to total 2740.
2. To determine the number of statues only, and where they are situated, the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) has made a request to the South African Local Government Association (SALGA) for every municipality to conduct an audit of the statues in their localities and supply us with this information. This exercise will provide exact number and location of the statues.
3. The materials used in the construction of statues in South Africa are primarily bronze and marble.