**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO.2479**

**QUESTION 2479 FOR WRITTEN REPLY: DR A LOTRIET (DA): INVESTIGATION INTO ALLEGATIONS MADE IN A PROTECTED DISCLOSURE REGARDING THE COUNCIL FOR SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH (CSIR)**

**REPLY:**

**(1) A preliminary investigation to establish the veracity of the allegations made in a protected disclosure has been instituted by the Minister of Science and Technology and the CSIR Board. The investigation is still underway and is expected to be concluded on or before December 2017.**

 **(a) The preliminary investigation is still underway and there are no outcomes;**

 **(b) A preliminary investigation to establish the veracity of the allegations made in a protected disclosure has been instituted by the Minister of Science and Technology and CSIR Board.**