**PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**DATE OF REPLY:**

**Mr M Bagraim (DA) to ask the Minister of Telecommunications and Postal Services:**

1. Whether a certain person (name furnished) was an employee of the State Information Technology Agency (SITA); if so, in what capacity was the specified person employed;
2. Whether SITA awarded the specified person to study at the Columbia University in New York, the United States of America; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what (a) was the amount of the specified bursary and (b) were the terms and conditions applicable to the bursary in terms of the (i) duration of study, (ii) terms of grant and (iii) repayment period? **NW280E**

**REPLY**

**I have been informed by SITA as follows:**

1. Ms. Unathi Mtya was employed by SITA as the Head of Internal Information Technology division and has since resigned on 31 July 2016.
2. SITA did not receive an application for a bursary nor award a bursary to Ms. Unathi Mtya to study at the Columbia University in New York.
3. Not applicable
4. (i) Not applicable

(ii) Not applicable

(iii) Not applicable