**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION: 2627**

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**Mr M G P LEKOTA (COPE) TO ASK THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM:**

With reference to a media report which states that the African National Congress has committed itself to never be part of any attempt that seeks to tamper with the authority of the traditional leaders over the land of their ancestors (details furnished), how does the Government intend to ensure legally secured tenure of land for traditional communities? **NW2914E**

**REPLY:**

The Government’s position is that all the people residing on communal land should have legally secure tenure. The Government intends to initiate legislation that will provide for a variety of tenure forms that may be selected by people in communal areas in accordance with their preferences. Such tenure forms will include freehold and communal tenure.