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**2678.Adv B T Bongo (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs**

In view of the Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan that was announced by the President, Mr M C Ramaphosa, which presents an opportunity for the Government Printing Works (GPW) to enhance its work in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region and noting that the GPW is a revenue-generating entity which contributes to the fiscus, how does his department intend for the GPW to expand its footprint in the SADC region? NO3404E

**REPLY**

GPW has been implementing its Integrated Marketing and Communications Strategy which incorporates its efforts to penetrate the market in the SADC region as a government printer, in order to offer Africa, solutions brewed within the Continent. GPW will continue to be supported by DHA through collaboration with SADC countries by facilitating visits by member states to view GPW facilities and service offerings, enhance business opportunities for GPW.

GPW has been visiting SADC countries to present its products and service offerings in order to expand its footprint. Engagements through various platforms like exhibitions and online meetings, have occurred with all SADC countries, but GPW has started discussions on the printing process of state security documents with eSwatini, DRC, AU Commission and Namibia.

The South African Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan presents an opportunity for GPW to realise its strategic intent of exploring economic opportunities outside the borders of the Republic thereby expanding its footprint into SADC and other African countries.

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