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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 2714**

**DATE OF PUBLICATION: 31 July 2015**

1. **2714:** **Ms V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

Whether (a) she, (b) her Deputy Minister and (c) any officials in her department travelled to China in the 2014-15 financial year; if so, what was the (i) purpose of each specified visit and (ii)(aa) total cost and (bb) breakdown of such costs of each specified visit? NW3145E

**REPLY: DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS**

The Embassy of the People’s Republic of China has extended an invitation to Minister Muthambi F to attend the Ministerial Workshop on Development and Management of Radio and TV Media for Developing Countries trip will take place on 20 – 31 July 2015.

The South African delegation was represented by:

1. Chief of Staff.

2. Outcome facilitator.

3. Assistant director in the office of the DG.

4. DTT project Head.

5. Chief Director Broadcasting Policy.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS FOR SUPPORT STAFF**

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| **Item** | **People** | **Exchange rate** | **Days** | **Cost** |
| Accommodation:  Changsha, China | 3 |  | 11 | R46 200.00 |
| Ground Transport | 3 |  | 11 | R 11 000.00 |
| Ticket, service fees and insurance(To and From and internal Flights) | 5 |  |  | R130 710.00 |
| Daily Allowance | 5 (note) |  | 11 | R63 864.80 |
| **Total** |  |  |  | **R 251 774.80** |

**Note**

**The accommodation and ground transport in respect of the Head of the DTT Project and the CD: Broadcasting Policy were sponsored by the Government of China. The DoC was only responsible for paying the daily allowance for the period.**

There are no financial implications for the Minister due to the fact that the above expenses were catered by the Ministry of Commerce of the People’s Republic of China as the sponsor.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS FOR MINISTER**

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| **Item** | **People** | **Exchange rate** | **Days** | **Cost** |
| Accommodation: | 1 |  | 11 | R0.00 |
| Ground Transport | 1 |  | 11 | R0.00 |
| VIP Services at airport | 1 |  | 11 | R0.00 |
| Ticket, service fees and insurance | 1 |  |  | R0.00 |
| Ticket, service fees and insurance | 1 |  |  | R12 807.44 |
| **Total** |  |  |  | **R12 807.44** |

**MR NN MUNZHELELE**

**DIRECTOR GENERAL ACTING**

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**DATE:**

**MS AF MUTHAMBI (MP)**

**MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**DATE**