**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

 **QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**2880. Ms N V Mente (EFF) to ask the Minister of Trade and Industry:**

With reference to the reply of the President of the Republic to question 2345 on 5 September 2018, what is the name of each (a) person and (b) company that formed part of the delegation that has accompanied government business delegations?NW3188E

**Response:**

The President of the Republic undertook the following international trips, supported by **the dti**,since taking office:

1. **Rwanda:**

The President travelled to Rwanda to the Business Forum of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) on the 20th of March 2018. On this occasion, the President participated on a Heads of State panel discussion. The business delegation is attached as Annexure A.

1. **United Kingdom:**

The President attended the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) and Commonwealth Business Forum held in London from the 16th to the 20th of April 2018. The CHOGM is a bi-annual summit meeting of the Heads of Government from all Commonwealth Nations to discuss a wide range of global and Commonwealth issues that will shape and determine the policy and priorities of the organization (business delegation is attached as Annexure B.

1. **Canada:**

The President attended the G7-meeting in Canada on the 8th of June 2018. The President chaired a roundtable session on the margins of the G7. The President utilised the platform to engage the Canadian business community and to encourage Canadian business to continue investing in South Africa. **InvestSA** coordinated the business delegation accompanying the President. The business delegation is attached as Annexure C.

1. **Nigeria:**

The President undertook a working visit to Nigeria from the 10th to the 11th of July 2018, where he had bilateral engagements with his counterpart. No business delegation accompanied the President on this visit.

1. **Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates:**

The President undertook a State Visit to Saudi Arabia and UAE on the 12th and the 13th of July respectively. The business delegation is attached as Annexure D.

 **(vi)** **China:**

The President attended and Co-chaired the 3rd Forum on China-Africa Co-operation (FOCAC) on the 3rd and the 4th of September 2018, in Beijing, China. The event was preceded by a State Visit to Beijing on the 2nd of September 2018. The business delegation is attached as Annexure E.