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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**2918. Ms L L van der Merwe (IFP) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:**

(1) With reference to the comments by the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, that the Government, in support of or collaboration with his department, is tackling illegal migration and alluded to meetings between the Republic, Kenya, Nigeria, Ghana, Botswana, Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Lesotho, what are the full and relevant details of the (a) plan to effectively deal with illegal migration and (b) meetings held with the Southern African Development Community and other African leaders in relation to illegal migration;

(2) whether such meetings will be held with leaders of other countries such as Pakistan, Bangladesh, Somalia, Ethiopia and others; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW3544E

**REPLY:**

**(**1)&(2)The Republic of South Africa does have diplomatic relations with the above mentioned countries and many more. There are regular bi-lateral engagements with those countries at senior official and ministerial level. The details of when these meetings will be held will be communicated prior to their commencement with a communique released afterwards explaining the issues discussed and agreements reached.

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