**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**FRIDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**DUE DATE: 6 OCTOBER 2022**

**3180. The Leader of the Opposition (DA) to ask the President of the Republic:**

In light of the fact that he has established 25 task teams since he became the President of the Republic on 15 February 2018, (a) who is serving on each task team, (b) what total amount has each task team cost, (c) what were the terms of reference of each task team, including the specific objectives to be achieved, (d)(i) what number of meetings has each task team had and (ii) will he furnish the Leader of the Opposition with the minutes of each meeting, (e) what specific criteria are used to assess the progress of each task team in achieving its objectives and (f) what progress has he found each task team has made in achieving its objectives?

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**REPLY**

It is not correct to say that I have established 25 task teams since becoming President of the Republic on 15 February 2018.

However, a number of advisory councils, commissions, panels and working groups have been established since 2018. Some of these continue to function as per their stated terms of reference, while others were established for a specific purpose and were therefore terminated upon completion of their work and submission of their reports.

The relevant information on these bodies is contained in the reply to NA Question 2292 submitted by Ms S Gwarube (DA) on 10 June 2022.

Cabinet Committees, including Inter-Ministerial Committees, have also been established and there are no costs attendant on these structures. The minutes of Cabinet Committees and Inter-Ministerial Committees are classified.

Where task teams are established, they are generally for a specific time-limited purpose, consist mostly of government officials and do not require additional costs.

Where applicable, the records of the relevant bodies may be obtained from the relevant secretariat departments.