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## QUESTION NO (3252)

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**“  3252.  Dr A Lotriet (DA)   to ask the Minister of Science and Technology:**

**(1) Is the African Institute of South Africa (AISA) effectively collaborating with the SA National Space Agency to advance its agenda to collect, collate and analyse data on Africa’s development through its Geo Information System; if not, why not; if so, how;**

**(2) What tools will be used by AISA to promote an African research agenda?”**

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**REPLY:**

(1) There is currently no collaboration between the AISA research programme and SANSA.

(2) The HSRC is in the process of developing its Africa Research Partnership and Collaboration Strategy. The Strategy for AISA will be nested within this broader HSRC Strategy.