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**3542. Mr M S F de Freitas (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:**

With reference to tourism visa-free countries, (a) what research has been done in this regard, (b) what are the (i) results, (ii) outcomes and (iii) conclusions reached in the specified research, (c) which countries are presently visa-free (i) for South Africans upon arrival in their respective countries and (ii) upon arrival by their citizens in the Republic and (d) on what dates did visa-free agreements commence in each country with regard to sub-questions (c)(i) and (ii)? NW4037E

**Reply:**

1. The Department has not conducted any research regarding the visa free countries, therefore no results are available.

(b)(i-iii) There were no plans to conduct research in this area as most of the visa agreements were already concluded since 1992.

(c)(i–ii) The list of visa free countries is attached as Annexure **A**. RSA does not issue visas on arrival.

1. Agreements are concluded on reciprocity principles based on bilateral agreements. These agreements are concluded as and when agreed upon

**END**