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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

# QUESTION NO. 362

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**362. Mr M Chetty (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:**

What (a) number of official international trips is (i) he and (ii) his deputy planning to undertake in the 2019-22 medium term expenditure framework, (b) will the (i) destination, (ii) date, (iii) purpose and (iv) number of persons who will travel with the delegation be and (c) is the detailed breakdown of the expected cost of (i) flights, (ii) accommodation and (iii) any other expenses in each case? NW1334E

**REPLY:**

(a) (i) the annual multilateral engagements that may be attended at Ministerial or Deputy Ministerial level are:

* African Union (AU) Summit
* Migration Dialogue for Southern Africa (MIDSA) Ministerial Conference
* SADC Ministerial Committee of the Organ (MCO) meeting on Politics, Defence and Security Cooperation
* Executive Committee meeting of the United Nations High Commissioner of Refugees’ (UNHCR) Programme

(ii) annual or biannual bilateral meetings with the neighbouring counterparts

(iii) bilateral meetings with other international counterparts and other multilateral meetings are attended if relevant to the mandate of Home Affairs

(iv) international workshops, seminars, conferences, etc will be attended if relevant to the mandate of Home Affairs

**AU Summit**

(b) (i) Ethiopia

 (ii) Dates to be announced by the AU

 (iii) Migration related

 (iv) Support staff, and experts on issues tabled for discussion

 **MIDSA Ministerial Conference**

(i) SADC member state – rotational basis

 (ii) Dates to be announced by the IOM and hosting country

 (iii) Migration related

 (iv) Support staff, and experts on issues tabled for discussion

 **SADC MCO**

(i) SADC member state – rotational basis

 (ii) Dates to be announced by SADC Secretariat and hosting country

 (iii) Migration and civics related

 (iv) Support staff, and experts on issues tabled for discussion

 **UNHCR EXCOM**

 (i) Switzerland

 (ii) Dates to be announced by the UNHCR

 (iii) Asylum seeker and refugee related

 (iv) Support staff, and experts on issues tabled for discussion

 **All other engagements as listed above**

(i) Bilaterals take place in host’s country and for remaining engagements, the host will announce.

 (ii) To be announced by hosts

 (iii) Migration and / or civics related

 (iv) Support staff, and experts on issues tabled for discussion

(c) Costs cannot be pre – determined as dependent on duration of engagement, available flights, accommodation and ground transport, size of delegation, etc.

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