

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

# QUESTION NO. 4083

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**4083. Mr M Bagraim (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:**

With reference to his department’s 2014-15 Annual Report, what are the (a) reasons and (b) details of the significant increases in irregular expenditure from previous financial years? NW4954E

**REPLY:**

1. The amount of irregular expenditure incurred by the Department of Home Affairs increased from R730 000 in the 2013/14 financial year to R1 809 000 in the 2014/15 financial year. The reasons for the increase in the amount disclosed as irregular expenditure are:
* Use of single quotation without approval for a deviation;
* Motivation for a deviation was considered not justifiable by the Auditor General;
* Failure to incorporate local content component in the bid for the office furniture; and
* The controls that have been introduced by the department to effectively detect and report all irregular expenditure. In this regard, it should be noted that the department itself identified 50% of the irregular expenditure disclosed in the 2014/15 financial year.
1. Details of the irregular expenditure for 2014/2015 financial year are attached as Annexure **A**.