**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

THURSDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2022

DUE DATE: 24 FEBRUARY 2022

**52. Mr C Brink (DA) to ask the President of the Republic:**

(1) Whether at any time during 2018 and/or 2019 the Deployment Committee of the African National Congress (ANC), and/or any member of the Deployment Committee and/or any employee of the ANC, furnished (a) him, as the President of the Republic, (b) the Deputy President of the Republic, (c) any Minister of his Cabinet and/or (d) any Deputy Minister of the Government with a list of names of persons to consider for appointment as members of the Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic Communities (CRL Commission) and/or members of the selection panel established to make recommendations for the appointment of members of the CRL Commission in terms of section 11(3) of the Commission on Cultural, Linguistic and Religious Communities Act, Act 19 of 2002, (the CRL Selection Panel); if so,

(2) (a) what were the particulars of the persons recommended for appointment as (i) CRL Commissioners and (ii) members of the CRL Selection Panel and (b)(i) on what date and (ii) to whom were each of the recommendations made?

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**REPLY**

The appointment of members of the Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic Communities (CRL Commission) is regulated in terms of the Commission on Cultural, Linguistic and Religious Communities Act, Act 19 of 2002 (“the Act”).

As required by section 11(4) of the Act, the members of the Commission that I appointed on 7 June 2019 were from the names submitted to me by the Selection Panel.

The following persons were appointed by the Minister of Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) as members of the Selection Panel in terms of Section 11(1)(d) of the Act:

1. Professor Sihawukele Ngubane (Chairperson)
2. Hosi Nwamitwa II
3. Dr Wally Mongane Serote
4. Mr Ashwin Trikamjee
5. Mr Marlene Bethlehem
6. Father Tseko Rakeketsi
7. Ms Marah Louw (Did not participate in the process due to ill health)

The Selection Panel, after concluding the interviews, submitted a list of 22 persons. According to Section 9(1) of the Act, the Commission consists of a Chairperson appointed by the President and no fewer than 11 and no more than 17 other members appointed by the President. After consideration of the list of the names provided by the Selection Panel, I appointed the current 13 members of the CRL Commission:

1. Prof Luka David Mosoma
2. Ms Sheila Khama
3. Ms Tsholofelo Mosala
4. Mr Sicelo Emmanuel Dlamini
5. Dr Oscarine Nokuzula Mdende
6. Prof Pitika Ntuli
7. Dr Sylvia Mmamohapi Pheto
8. Dr Muneer Abduroaf
9. Ms Nomalanga Tyamzashe
10. Ms Ramokone Tryphina Kgatla
11. Adv Richard Botha
12. Mr Mandla Langa
13. Mr Renier Schoeman