# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 704**

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**Ms H Ismail (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) What number of students from each province currently participate in the Nelson Mandela-Fidel Castro Medical Collaboration Programme;

(2) what are the details of the (a) current budget allocated to each student to complete their medical studies in full, (b)(i) full amount and (ii) breakdown of the full amount each student received for study fees, accommodation fees, living expenses, travel expenses, stipends and any other expense covered by the programme (aa) in each of the past five academic years and (bb) since 1 January 2021 and (c) total cost of completing a medical degree in this programme for each student in each of the specified academic years;

(3) who or what entity in the Republic of Cuba (a) receives the funding from our Government to be disbursed to the students and (b) is responsible for disbursing the funding to the students?

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**REPLY:**

In order to respond to this Question, information must be sourced from the provinces. The Department is still in the process of sourcing this information and as soon as all the information is received, the Minister will provide the response to the Question.

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