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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**730. Mr D J Maynier (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:**

(1) Whether his Deputy Minister, Mr Mcebisi H Jonas, met with any (a) member, (b) employee and/or (c) close associate of the Gupta family since being appointed as Deputy Minister; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, in each specified case, (i) what are the names of the persons whom the Deputy Minister met at each meeting, (ii)(aa) when and (bb) where did each such meeting take place and (iii) what was the purpose of each specified meeting;

(2) whether the Deputy Minister reported to him the contents of each specified meeting; if not, why not; if so, in each case, (a) to whom and (b) when was it reported;

(3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

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**REPLY:**

The details that the Deputy Minister made public is contained in the media statement released on the 16 March 2016. Please see the media statement attached. The Deputy Minister advises that he is obtaining further legal advice on the matter.