# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 764**

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**Dr H C Volmink (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

With regard to the five key recommendations made in the Ministerial Task Team’s Report on the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) presented in October 2015, has the HPCSA Board agreed to any of these recommendations; if not, (a) why not and (b) what further action(s) will he take if the HPCSA rejects any or all of the recommendations; if so, (i) which recommendations did the HPCSA agree to and (ii) what time frames have been given for the implementation of the specified recommendations?

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**REPLY:**

The HPCSA is an independent organisation, as such, it has a legal obligation to adhere to all Constitutional and relevant legislative prescripts in the exercise of its mandate. The implementation of the recommendation made in the Ministerial Task Team Report on the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) is therefore subject to adherence to these prescripts. I am being kept informed by the HPCSA on the progress in this regard.

1. At this point, I have not been informed by the HPCSA that any of the recommendations of the Ministerial Task Team have been rejected;
2. Not applicable;
3. Not applicable;
4. A final implementation report is expected by the end of April 2016

END.