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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 872**

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**872. Mr L J Basson (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:**

(1) Whether his department will offer any form of Covid-19 financial or other relief to small businesses; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(2) whether the Covid-19 financial or other relief will only be allocated to qualifying small businesses according to the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, Act 53 of 2003, as amended; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) on what statutory grounds and/or provisions does he or his department rely to allocate Covid-19 financial or other relief only to small businesses according to the specified Act and (b) what form of Covid-19 financial or other relief, if any, will be made available to other small businesses? NW1079E

**REPLY:**

1. No, it is not within the mandate of the Department of Home Affairs to offer Covid-19 or other relief to small businesses.
2. Not applicable.

**END**