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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 919**

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**Mr N Singh (IFP) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) Whether, with reference to the statement of the Deputy Minister of Health in the National Assembly on 13 March 2018, he can provide the further details with regard to the long-term solution and time frame for implementation in respect of foreign qualified medical students; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(2) what is their current plight with the Health Professions Council of South Africa regulations which hinders them from registering as interns in South Africa;

(3) whether these matters will undergo extensive public consultations; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**REPLY:**

(1) The long term solution is as outlined by the Deputy Minister, i.e that they will be allowed to do internship in South Africa after a special training session provided by our universities.

(2) The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) agreed that they will register them for internship after some evaluation after they had been trained locally for a specific period of time.

(3) Yes they will.

END.