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**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 981**

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**981. Mr T C R Walters (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

Whether, with reference to her reply to question 503 on 23 March 2017, the report reached her by the end of March 2017; if not, why not; if so, (a) on what date will she be done with engaging with the report and (b) on what date is the report expected to be released to the public? NW1109E

**Response:**

1. After following internal processes in the Department of Basic Education (DBE), the report was submitted to the Minister in March 2017. Having engaged with the report, the Minister approved that it be made public by posting it on the website of the DBE. To this end, the report is being formatted and will be posted on the DBE website as soon as this is completed.
2. In addition to posting the report on the DBE website, NEEDU findings and their implications for the education sector will be shared in different forums between May and June 2017. These forums include different branches and structures within the DBE, HEDCOM and its sub-committees and the Council of Education Ministers. Presentations will also be made in the forums where the DBE interacts with stakeholders e.g., Principals’ Association of South Africa (PASA) and the consultative forum of National School Governing Body Associations.