

National Assembly question: Question NW 379E

NW379E. Mr I O Davidson (DA) to ask the Minister of Energy:

- (1) What (i) laws and (ii) regulations govern the import of uranium into South Africa and (b) what body needs to approve any requests for such uranium imports;
- (2) Whether a certain company called Mantra Mining recently exported uranium to South Africa for evaluation by Mintek; if so, (a) which body approved this transaction and (b) how much uranium was exported? NW379E

REPLY

- (1) (a) (i) Nuclear Energy Act
(ii) Regulation 207 of 27 February 2009 – Declaration of restricted and source material, special nuclear material and nuclear related equipment and material.
(b) The Minister of Energy, in consultation with the South African Council for the Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction.
- (2) (a) Mintek imported nuclear material from Mantra Ltd in Tanzania on 21 July 2010 under an authorisation issued by the Department of Energy.
(b) 25 000kg