



MINISTRY OF ENERGY
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION 732

Mr I.M. Ollis (DA) to ask the Minister of Energy:

Whether any officials from (a) his department and (b) any entities reporting to him were on an official visit to Bloemfontein in (i) December 2011 and (ii) January 2012; if so, in each case, what (aa) is the (aaa) name and (bbb) position of the specified official, (bb) was the (aaa) purpose and (bbb) date of such visit and (cc) was the cost of (aaa) transport, (bbb) accommodation and (ccc) other expenses?

REPLY:

With the expected participation of Heads of States and Government at the Centenary Celebrations of the African National Congress. In anticipation of their arrival a number of state agencies and departments were mandated to make preparations as part of the courtesies extended to any President/ Head of State visiting a country.

These departments include The Presidency, Department of International Relations and Cooperation, State Security Agencies and Departments, Departments of Arts and Culture, Health, Disaster Management and Public Works. These departments were mandated to ensure firstly the safety and security of the event in terms of the Public Gathering Act, provide protocol services and facilities suitable for the stature of the event. Officials from different departments were deployed to ensure the smooth running of the event.