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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO: 485(NW564E) AS PUBLISHED IN IQP NO: 4-2014 OF 11 JULY 2014

Mr S Mokgalapa of (DA) TO ASK THE MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND COOPERATION:

- (1) Who were the South African delegates who attended the 23rd African Union Summit from 20 June to 27 July in Malabo, Equatorial Guinea;
- (2) Whether the South African delegation objected to the presence of a Jewish delegation at the specific Summit; if so; on what grounds;
- (3) Whether any action has been taken by her department in this regard; if so, what action?
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REPLY:

1. The President of the Republic of South Africa, His Excellency Mr JG Zuma, led the South African delegation to the 23rd Ordinary Session of the African Union Assembly which took place on 26 and 27 June 2014 in Malabo, Equatorial Guinea. The South African Ministerial delegation accompanying the President included: Ms M Nkoana-Mashabane, Minister of International Relations and Cooperation, Mr J Radebe, Minister in The Presidency for Planning, Performance, Monitoring and Evaluation; Ms N Mapisa-Nqakula, Minister of Defence and Military Veterans; Mr C Chabane, Minister of Public Service and Administration; Mr S Zokwana, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries; Mr D Mahlobo, Minister of State Security; and Ms T Joemat-Peterson of Energy. The Presidency and the above-mentioned Departmental political heads had several Senior Officials and support staff in attendance to provide the necessary support services required at Summits of the stature of the African Union Assembly of Heads of State and Government.
2. It was not for South Africa to either object or acclaim.

3. No action was taken by both the Department and indeed the entire government delegation.

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