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Mr P D Mbhele (Cope) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

Whether she had cancelled any official engagements to attend to the Limpopo textbook saga; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW2812E

Reply:

Yes.

The Minister of Basic Education was scheduled to undertake an official visit to China from the 11th to 17th August 2012 . The purpose of the visit was to further promote the exchanges and co-operation between China and South Africa in the field of Basic Education.

The Minister cancelled this official trip to China in order to attend to the pressing educational challenges facing the Limpopo Department of Education.