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FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION 2694

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2694. Dr C P Mulder (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:†

- (1) Whether her department made use of any consultants since the 2004-05 financial year; if so, (a) how many (i) consultants and (ii) consultancy firms were used in each financial year, (b) what are their names in each case, (c) what amounts were paid to each (i) consultant and (ii) consultancy firm in each financial year and (d) who are the directors of each of the consultancy firms used by her department since the 2004-05 financial year;
- (2) whether any of the consultants or consultancy firms were previously employed by her department; if so, (a) who are they, (b) why did they leave the employ of her department and (c) what is the total financial value of the remuneration paid to each such consultant? NW3359E

REPLY

The Department of Basic Education (DBE) came into existence in April 2010 due to the split of the former Department of Education (DoE) into the Departments of Basic Education and Higher Education and Training. In light of this, the Department's response will cover the period 01 April 2010 to date.

1. (a)
 - (i). The Department of Basic Education had not used consultants since it came into existence in April 2010.
 - (ii) Five (5) consultancy firms were used since April 2010
- (b) The Names, (c) Amounts paid and (d) Names of Directors of each consultancy firm are outlined below.

| (b) Name of Consultancy firm | (c) Amounts Paid | (d) Directors of the firm |
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| Rola Ball Eduscript | R149 999.00 | Dr Patricia Watson |
| Consortium for Language | R241 395.00 | Prof. JD Swanepoel (Executive member) |
| Vita Brevis Language | R241 395.00 | Mr E De Klerk |
| Somakhawula Language Consultancy | R152 075.00 | Mr France Mahlangu |
| Khulisa Management Services | R250 000.00 | Mr Michael Ogawa |

2. No