



MINISTRY OF DEFENCE & MILITARY VETERANS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

1050. Mr S J F Marais (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

With reference to the various agreements with the Republic of Cuba, what are the (a) full relevant details, (b) reasons and (c) total amounts of all payments made to any Cuban entity in each year over the past 10 years by (i) her department and/or (ii) any entity reporting to her?

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REPLY:

(1) (a) and (b) The South African National Defence Force (SANDF) implemented Milestone 1 of the Defence Review 2015, which directs that the SANDF must halt the client decline of its core capability. This implies that in this context, the SANDF must develop an Integrated Technical Service Capability that will enable the SANDF to self-sustain with regards to the maintenance and repair of its Prime Mission Equipment. Project Thusano relates to this, and the project and its activities in South Africa commenced in 2014.

(c) The amounts paid as from 2014 when the project commenced, are as reflected in the Table below.

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h
Total Cost	0	6,125,800	143,952,671	170,662,596	274,393,655	219,595,670	252,386,010	9,555.856