

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

### QUESTION 1524

#### FOR WRITTEN REPLY

“Mrs. D van der Walt (DA) to ask the Minister of Arts and Culture”:-

- (1) Whether her Deputy Minister (a) has made any public appearances (b) delivered any speeches since his appointment; if not, why not, if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) what are the details of her deputy Minister’s involvement in any projects and /or events since his appointment to office and (b) why did he not attend and participate in her department’s Budget Vote debate on 6 May 2010
- (3) whether her Deputy Minister has been assigned any role in her department; if not; why not; if so, (a) what is his role and (b) how does he fulfill his role?

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#### REPLY

1.(a) and (b)

Yes, the Deputy Minister has made a number of public appearances and delivered several speeches since his appointment as the Deputy Minister of this department.

Some of the many public appearances and speeches are detailed below to mention but a few:-

Date	Event	Venue
19 June 2009	Budget Vote Debate	National Assembly
2 July 2009	NCOP Policy Debate on Vote 12	NCOP
9 July 2009	Heritage Funding Conference Gala Dinner	Gallagher Estates
10 July 2009	Closing Remarks at the National Heritage Council Funding Summit	Gallagher Estates
18 July 2009	Nelson Mandela Day Celebrations	Mary Fitzgerald Square
29 July 2009	Celebration of 15 years of SA/Cuba Relations	Monte Casino
30 July 2009	Opening of the Egyptian Cultural Week	State Theatre
8 August 2009	Closing speech at the Women’s Day Celebration Dinner	Pioneer Hoerskool, Vryheid
9 August 2009	Closing Remarks at the 2009	Bhekuzulu Township

	Women's Day Celebrations	Sports Field
1 September 2009	Speech at the SA Council for Business Women, Annual Congress Dinner	Ilanga Estates, Bloemfontein
5 September 2009	Turquoise Annual Friendship Iftaar Dialogue	Hyatt Regency, Johannesburg
11 September 2009	Remarks at the Music Industry Sector Meeting	Bassline
17 September 2009	Parliamentary Debate on Heritage Day	National Assembly
18 September 2009	Visit to the Voortrekker Museum	Voortrekker Museum
23 September 2009	Screening of John Kani's "Nothing but the Truth"	
1 October 2009	Speech on behalf of the SA Government at the Korean National Day Celebrations	Korean Embassy
3 October 2009	Opening of the 12 Annual Field Band Foundation National Championships	Johannesburg Stadium
13 October 2009	Speech at the 6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Oral History Conference Cocktail	State Archives, Cape Town
21 October 2009	Thuthuka Jewellery Development Programme Prize Giving Event	Wits University
24 October 2009	Speech at the funeral of the late Winston Mankunku Ngozi	Gugulethu
12-14 November 2009	SA/Nigeria BNC	Abuja
19 November 2009	Imbizo	Taung Mabana Centre
29 November 2009	SA/Cuba JBC	Havana
11 December 2009	DAC end of the year function	Pretoria
20 February 2010	Speech at the launch of the Multilingualism Campaign	Freedom Park, Pretoria
23-27 February 2010	Fact finding visit to the UK; National Skills Academy Conference	London & Birmingham
12 March 2010	Speech at the Liberation Route National Heritage Council Project	Burgers Park Hotel
19 March 2010	Speech at the "Hope for Haiti" Fundraising Dinner	Paarl
3-4 April 2010	Cape Town Jazz Festival	CT Convention Centre
27 April 2010	Programme Directing at the National Freedom Day Celebrations	Union Buildings Lawns
21 May 2010	Opening of the Afro-Cuban Exhibition "Without Masks"	Johannesburg Art Gallery
23 May 2010	Opening of the "In Context" Exhibition	

26 May 2010	Policy Debate on Budget Vote 13	NCOP
27 May 2010	Visit to the Goodman Gallery	Johannesburg
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2 (a) As indicated above the details of his many involvements in the DAC projects and or events are available on record in the department as part of his duties as Deputy Minister of this department.

2 (b) The Deputy Minister did not attend the department's Budget Vote debate on 6 May 2010 because the date clashed with the Gauteng ANC Provincial Conference. An

apology was sent to the President, the Leader of Government Business, the Minister and to the Speaker of Parliament.

- 3.(a) Yes, one of his major roles as Deputy Minister is to champion programmes in two of the department's five branches, namely:-
- Branch: Arts and Culture in Society:
  - Branch: National Archives, Language and Library Services

His role also includes focusing on youth and SANAC in the Arts and Culture sector as well as sharing other cross cutting responsibilities in the other branches of the department.

- 3.(b) He fulfils these roles through provision of strategic direction and leadership; oversight, ensuring alignment of functions and monitoring and evaluation activities within the department.