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Dear Mr. Mweli

## **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY: 2656**

This letter serves as a response to the National Assembly questions for written reply dated 06 November 2020.

The questions were presented as follows:

### **2656-Ms A M Siwisa (EFF) asked the Minister of Basic Education:**

**Whether she has been informed of the allegations of nepotism and misappropriation of funds levelled against a certain employee, if not, what is the position in this regard, if so what actions has she taken to ensure that the (a) specified matter is investigated and (b) specified person is held accountable?**

- (1) Whether the Minister was informed about the allegations of nepotism and misappropriation of funds levelled against a certain person?**

#### **Response**

The Department is aware and is the one that established these allegations through investigations.

- (a) Specified matter is investigated**

#### **Response**

The Department has concluded its investigations and has established that the allegations of nepotism are levelled against an employee of the School Governing Body who appointed her daughter to a Clerical School Governing Body post without following proper recruitment processes.

The Department has no authority over the employees of the School Governing Body. The School Governing Body is in the process of subjecting the employee to a disciplinary process and the Department has taken disciplinary action against the employee who is alleged to have mismanaged the school finances.

**(b) Specified person is held accountable?**

**Response**

The employee who is alleged to have mismanaged the school finances was subjected to a disciplinary process on 13 November 2020, in terms of Schedule 2 of the Employment of Educators Act 76 of 1998 as amended. The Department is waiting for the outcome or pronouncement of a finding by the Chairperson of the disciplinary hearing.

Yours sincerely



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