

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 5218

Dr W J Boshoff (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

With international film production companies potentially moving to countries with more attractive and functional incentives, what specific steps will his department take to (a) restore foreign and local investor confidence and (b) prevent the suspension of his department's Production Rebate System which could have a severe impact on the SA Film and Television Production industry? NW5858E

REPLY:

(a)&(b)

The Department recognises the critical role that both local and international film productions play in the South African economy, not only in direct investment and job creation but also in skills development, growth in infrastructure and the global promotion of South African culture. The Department is engaging National Treasury to secure additional funds and also explore various support options for the sector given the tight fiscal environment.

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