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Department:
Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 582.

Mr V Zungula (ATM) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

- (a) What protocols does his department have in place for (i) inspecting and (ii) monitoring liquor stores to prevent counterfeit alcohol sales and
- (b) How frequently are the specified protocols reviewed and/or updated? NW594E

REPLY:

(a)&(b): The 1999 Constitutional Court judgment, ruled that in terms of Schedule 5 of the Constitution retail liquor licensing is a provincial competence. The National Liquor Authority (NLA) is a mandate of the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition, responsible for the regulation of macro manufacturing and distribution of liquor. The questions raised by the Honourable member fall within the jurisdiction of the provincial liquor boards, who are mandated to regulate retail sales of liquor and therefore should be referred to the Provinces.

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