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Subject: Question on homeschooling in the National Assembly

Dear Ms Dudley

It has come to the attention to the Association for Homeschooling that you asked a question in the National Assembly to the Minister of Education in connection with the development of a policy on homeschooling. (Question 2521)

In the answer to the question, the minister claims to have performed an "*an extensive consultation process*".

The Association for Homeschooling has been representing homeschooling parents since 1992. The Association has been interacting with national and provincial government on home education at public meetings and by writing letters at every opportunity. The reports on public meetings and letters can be viewed on our website at www.sahomeschoolers.org (See the "*Media*" tab).

The Association for Homeschooling has not, in the past fifteen years, been contacted by the Department of Education in connection with a new policy on home education, in spite of the department of claiming to have performed "*an extensive consultation process*".

It would be highly appreciated if you could ask another question to the Minister of Education and ask who the Department of Education has contacted during their "*extensive consultation process*". If they have not contacted the elected representatives of the organised homeschooling community, it is misleading to claim that their consultation was extensive.

Regards



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