

**WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE
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WRITTEN REPLY**

15. Mr C M Dugmore to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

In respect of his visit to the United States to discuss the African Growth and Opportunity Act (Agoa):

(a) What are the names of the officials or members of the congress or senate with whom he met, (b) on which committees or subcommittees they serve and (c) can copies of the minutes of these meetings be made available?

REPLY:

(a),(b) and (c) tabulated below

DETAILS OF MEETINGS

No.	Meeting	Attendees	Discussion points
1.	Staff: Senate foreign relations committee members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr J Tomaszewski • Ms E Lewis • Mr J Allman-Gulino • Mr S Stack • Ms K Hunter • Mr G Haasbroek (SA Embassy Staff) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trade relations between the WC and the USA • AGOA related matters, including the impact on the WC economy if SA should be excluded from AGOA, continued discussions including with the Embassy in Washington, beneficiaries of AGOA, etc.
2.	Committee on Ways and Means and the AGOA Civil Society Network (ACSN)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr J Snead • Ms A Whittaker • Dr W Smith • Mr T Allen • Ms T Tome • Mr G Haasbroek (SA Embassy Staff) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closer ties between the WC and the ACSN • Energy security • AGOA including renewal process, beneficiaries, impact on the WC economy if SA is excluded, etc. • US-SA Business linkages, including importance of the USA for the WC as a destination
3.	Staff: House Foreign Relations Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr J Foltz • Mr M Levine • Mr C Kulukundis • Ms A Davis • Ms S Jones • Mr T Brown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGOA related matters, including renewal, etc. • Energy security and the Energy plan • Upcoming visit by the House to SA

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms A Griffin • Ms L Hamilton • Mr Y Zamar • Mr J Rueda • Mr G Haasbroek (SA Embassy Staff) 	
4.	Staff: Senator Coons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms E O'Bagy • Mr G Haasbroek (SA Embassy Staff) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGOA related matters, including the process of and timeframe of reauthorisation, impact of SA's exclusion on the WC, trade relations, need for continued discussions, etc. • Energy crisis and climate change, including developments in the renewable energy sector in the Province.