

Vote 6

International Relations and Cooperation

Adjusted budget summary

	2015/16			
R thousand	Main appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	Decrease	Increase
Amount to be appropriated of which:	5 698 634	6 510 854	–	812 220
Current payments	4 773 484	5 561 292	–	787 808
Transfers and subsidies	641 187	740 277	–	99 090
Payments for capital assets	283 963	209 285	(74 678)	–
Executive authority	Minister of International Relations and Cooperation			
Accounting officer	Director-General of International Relations and Cooperation			
Website address	www.dirco.gov.za			

Vote purpose

Formulate, coordinate, implement and manage South Africa's foreign policy and international relations programmes.

Mid-year performance status

Indicator	Programme	Outcome	Annual performance		
			Projected for 2015/16 as published in the 2015 ENE	Achieved in the first six months of 2015/16 (April to September)	Changed target for 2015/16
Number of structured bilateral mechanisms to promote national priorities (the African Agenda and the Agenda of the South) per year	International Relations		34	14	–
Number of tourism promotional events hosted per year	International Relations		67	33	–
Number of high level engagements coordinated to promote national priorities (the African Agenda and Agenda of the South) per year	International Relations		58	17	–
Number of economic diplomacy activities to attract investment, tourism and the development of cooperation per year: trade and investment seminars engagements with chambers of commerce	International Relations		112 125	32 53	–
Number of bilateral meetings held with targeted government ministries and high level potential investors per year	International Relations		150	80	–
Number of development cooperation initiatives held per year	International Relations	Outcome 11: Create a better South Africa, a better Africa and a better world	4	–	–
Number of (AU) structures and processes used to promote peace and stability, socioeconomic development, good governance and democracy on the continent per year	International Cooperation		4	1	–
Number NEPAD summits, working group meetings and processes supported with substance and logistics to enhance socioeconomic development on the continent per year	International Cooperation		4	1	–
Number of SADC structures and processes supported with substance and logistics to promote peace and stability, socioeconomic development, good governance, democracy and regional integration per year	International Cooperation		10	5	–
Percentage of requests for protocol services responded to per year	Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services		100%	100%	–
Percentage of requests for public diplomacy services responded to per year	Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services		100%	100%	–

Mid-year progress

The department is on track to meet all its annual targets.

In the first six months of 2015/16, the department concluded 14 structured bilateral mechanisms to promote national priorities against the target of 34 planned for the year. Although progress is slow, the department expects to achieve the target by the end of March 2016.

In the first six months of 2015/16, the department facilitated the hosting of the 25th African Union ordinary session of heads of state and government. South Africa also hosted the 33rd New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), heads of state and government orientation committee meeting, which addressed a range of issues, such as regional integration, African development goals and the empowerment of women.

Adjusted Estimates of National Expenditure 2015

Programme	Main appropriation R thousand	2015/16						Adjusted appropriation	
		Adjustments appropriation				Total adjustments appropriation			
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/ unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments			
Administration	1 418 521	–	–	(36 921)	–	–	(36 921)	1 381 600	
International Relations	2 931 657	–	566 165	(80 356)	–	88 709	574 518	3 506 175	
International Cooperation	466 945	–	54 745	–	–	3 511	58 256	525 201	
Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services	246 280	–	–	117 277	–	–	117 277	363 557	
International Transfers	635 231	–	99 090	–	–	–	99 090	734 321	
Total	5 698 634	–	720 000	–	–	92 220	812 220	6 510 854	
Economic classification									
Current payments	4 773 484	–	620 910	74 678	–	92 220	787 808	5 561 292	
Compensation of employees	2 526 213	–	361 671	43 701	–	54 646	460 018	2 986 231	
Goods and services	2 247 271	–	259 239	(18 226)	–	37 574	278 587	2 525 858	
Interest and rent on land	–	–	–	49 203	–	–	49 203	49 203	
Transfers and subsidies	641 187	–	99 090	–	–	–	99 090	740 277	
Departmental agencies and accounts	154 037	–	–	–	–	–	–	154 037	
Foreign governments and international organisations	481 194	–	99 090	–	–	–	99 090	580 284	
Households	5 956	–	–	–	–	–	–	5 956	
Payments for capital assets	283 963	–	–	(74 678)	–	–	(74 678)	209 285	
Buildings and other fixed structures	233 109	–	–	(79 678)	–	–	(79 678)	153 431	
Machinery and equipment	50 854	–	–	5 000	–	–	5 000	55 854	
Total	5 698 634	–	720 000	–	–	92 220	812 220	6 510 854	

Programme 1: Administration

Subprogramme	Main appropriation R thousand	2015/16						Adjusted appropriation	
		Adjustments appropriation				Total adjustments appropriation			
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/ unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments			
Ministry	6 230	–	–	–	–	–	–	6 230	
Departmental Management	16 388	–	–	–	–	–	–	16 388	
Audit Services	19 832	–	–	–	–	–	–	19 832	
Financial Management	130 953	–	–	(2 221)	–	–	(2 221)	128 732	
Corporate Services	642 618	–	–	53 310	–	–	53 310	695 928	
Diplomatic Training, Research and Development	66 493	–	–	2 221	–	–	2 221	68 714	
Foreign Fixed Assets Management	223 838	–	–	(74 678)	–	–	(74 678)	149 160	
Office Accommodation	312 169	–	–	(15 553)	–	–	(15 553)	296 616	
Total	1 418 521	–	–	(36 921)	–	–	(36 921)	1 381 600	

Programme 1: Administration (continued)

R thousand	Main appropriation	2015/16							
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation		
Current payments	1 167 033	–	–	37 757	–	–	37 757	1 204 790	
Compensation of employees	377 113	–	–	20 328	–	–	20 328	397 441	
Goods and services	789 920	–	–	(31 774)	–	–	(31 774)	758 146	
Interest and rent on land	–	–	–	49 203	–	–	49 203	49 203	
Transfers and subsidies	1 227	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 227	
Households	1 227	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 227	
Payments for capital assets	250 261	–	–	(74 678)	–	–	(74 678)	175 583	
Buildings and other fixed structures	233 093	–	–	(79 678)	–	–	(79 678)	153 415	
Machinery and equipment	17 168	–	–	5 000	–	–	5 000	22 168	
Total	1 418 521	–	–	(36 921)	–	–	(36 921)	1 381 600	

Programme 2: International Relations

Subprogramme	R thousand	Main appropriation	2015/16							
			Adjustments appropriation							
			Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation		
Africa	885 923	–	293 486	(46 086)	–	48 687	296 087	1 182 010		
Asia and Middle East	734 839	–	111 527	(27 450)	–	18 678	102 755	837 594		
Americas and Caribbean	501 138	–	73 242	(2 430)	–	13 652	84 464	585 602		
Europe	809 757	–	87 910	(4 390)	–	7 692	91 212	900 969		
Total	2 931 657	–	566 165	(80 356)	–	88 709	574 518	3 506 175		
Economic classification										
Current payments	2 897 197	–	566 165	(80 356)	–	88 709	574 518	3 471 715		
Compensation of employees	1 728 196	–	333 100	13 500	–	52 283	398 883	2 127 079		
Goods and services	1 169 001	–	233 065	(93 856)	–	36 426	175 635	1 344 636		
Transfers and subsidies	4 440	–	–	–	–	–	–	4 440		
Households	4 440	–	–	–	–	–	–	4 440		
Payments for capital assets	30 020	–	–	–	–	–	–	30 020		
Buildings and other fixed structures	16	–	–	–	–	–	–	16		
Machinery and equipment	30 004	–	–	–	–	–	–	30 004		
Total	2 931 657	–	566 165	(80 356)	–	88 709	574 518	3 506 175		

Programme 3: International Cooperation

Subprogramme	R thousand	Main appropriation	2015/16							
			Adjustments appropriation							
			Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation		
Global System of Governance	253 330	–	29 690	–	–	–	–	29 690	283 020	
Continental Cooperation	133 604	–	17 681	–	–	–	3 511	21 192	154 796	
South-South Cooperation	3 686	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3 686	
North-South Dialogue	76 325	–	7 374	–	–	–	–	7 374	83 699	
Total	466 945	–	54 745	–	–	–	3 511	58 256	525 201	
Economic classification										
Current payments	464 850	–	54 745	–	–	–	3 511	58 256	523 106	
Compensation of employees	290 723	–	28 571	–	–	2 363	30 934	321 657		
Goods and services	174 127	–	26 174	–	–	1 148	27 322	201 449		
Transfers and subsidies	26	–	–	–	–	–	–	26		
Households	26	–	–	–	–	–	–	26		
Payments for capital assets	2 069	–	–	–	–	–	–	2 069		
Machinery and equipment	2 069	–	–	–	–	–	–	2 069		
Total	466 945	–	54 745	–	–	–	3 511	58 256	525 201	

Programme 4: Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services

Subprogramme	Main appropriation R thousand	2015/16						Adjusted appropriation	
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/ unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation		
Public Diplomacy	62 345	–	–	6 188	–	–	6 188	68 533	
Protocol Services	183 935	–	–	111 089	–	–	111 089	295 024	
Total	246 280	–	–	117 277	–	–	117 277	363 557	
Economic classification									
Current payments	244 404	–	–	117 277	–	–	117 277	361 681	
Compensation of employees	130 181	–	–	9 873	–	–	9 873	140 054	
Goods and services	114 223	–	–	107 404	–	–	107 404	221 627	
Transfers and subsidies	263	–	–	–	–	–	–	263	
Households	263	–	–	–	–	–	–	263	
Payments for capital assets	1 613	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 613	
Machinery and equipment	1 613	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 613	
Total	246 280	–	–	117 277	–	–	117 277	363 557	

Programme 5: International Transfers

Subprogramme	Main appropriation R thousand	2015/16						Adjusted appropriation	
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/ unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation		
Departmental agencies	154 037	–	–	–	–	–	–	154 037	
Membership contribution	481 194	–	99 090	–	–	–	99 090	580 284	
Total	635 231	–	99 090	–	–	–	99 090	734 321	
Economic classification									
Transfers and subsidies	635 231	–	99 090	–	–	–	99 090	734 321	
Departmental agencies and accounts	154 037	–	–	–	–	–	–	154 037	
Foreign governments and international organisations	481 194	–	99 090	–	–	–	99 090	580 284	
Total	635 231	–	99 090	–	–	–	99 090	734 321	

Details of adjustments to the Estimates of National Expenditure 2015

Unforeseeable and unavoidable expenditure – R720 million

Funds have been allocated for unforeseeable and unavoidable expenditure due to the impact of the depreciation of the Rand on foreign currency denominated expenditure, as follows:

Programme 2: International Relations

R566.165 million mainly for accommodation leases, foreign allowances, education allowances, foreign municipality costs and special travel allowances. Expenditure under these items represents the bulk of missions' budgets.

Programme 3: International Cooperation

R54.745 million mainly for accommodation leases, foreign allowances, education allowances, foreign municipality costs and special travel allowances. Expenditure under these items represents the bulk of missions' budgets.

Programme 5: International Transfers

R99.090 million for membership fee contributions made to international organisations.

Virements and shifts

Programmes

1. Administration
2. International Relations
3. International Cooperation
4. Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services
5. International Transfers

FROM:			TO:		
Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand	Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand
Programme 1		(164 762)	Programme 1		69 531
Goods and services	Cost containment measures effected on consumables, stationery, consultants fees, venues and facilities, travel and subsistence, communication, entertainment and operating leases	(20 328)	Compensation of employees	Shortfall in funding for adjustments to personnel remuneration ¹	20 328
	Cost containment measures effected on finance lease payments	(49 203)	Interest and rent on land	Shortfall in funding on the interest portion of the public-private partnership unitary payment	49 203
	Cost containment effected on travel and subsistence	(5 680)	Programme 4		15 553
	Cost containment effected on consultants fees	(9 873)	Goods and services	Shortfall in funding for travel expenses due to the increase in public diplomacy activities and expenditure relating the hosting of the 25th African Union summit held in June 2015	5 680
	Reallocation of funds due to rescheduled/ deferred capital projects ²	(53 310)	Compensation of employees	Shortfall in funding for adjustments to personnel remuneration ¹	9 873
	Reallocation of funds due to rescheduled/ deferred capital projects ²	(5 000)	Programme 1		58 310
	Reallocation of funds due to rescheduled/ deferred capital projects ²	(7 868)	Goods and services	Shortfall in funding for the wide area network upgrades	53 310
	Reallocation of funds due to rescheduled/ deferred capital projects ²	(13 500)	Machinery and equipment	Shortfall in funding for the procurement of furniture and fittings on state owned properties	5 000
			Programme 2		21 368
			Goods and services	Shortfall in funding for maintenance of state owned properties	7 868
			Compensation of employees	Shortfall in funding for foreign allowances ¹	13 500
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget	9.0%				
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget	2.6%				
Programme 2		(101 724)	Programme 4		101 724
Goods and services	Cost containment measures effected on travel and subsistence and operating leases	(101 724)	Goods and services	Shortfall in funding for expenditure relating to the hosting of the 25th African Union and the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation summits	101 724
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget	0.0%				
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget	3.5%				
Total		(266 486)			266 486

1. National Treasury approval has been obtained.

2. Only the legislature may approve this virement in terms of the Public Management Act (1999).

Other adjustments – R92.220 million

Funds shifted between votes following the transfer of a function – R92.220 million

Programme 2: International Relations

R88.709 million has been transferred from the Department of Home Affairs for expenditure incurred by the Department of International Relations and Cooperation as cost of living allowances, accommodation and related expenditure for officials of the department posted in missions abroad.

Programme 3: International Cooperation

R3.511 million has been transferred from the Department of Home Affairs for expenditure incurred by the Department of International Relations and Cooperation as cost of living allowances, accommodation and related expenditure for officials of the department posted in missions abroad.

Expenditure outcome for 2014/15 and actual expenditure for 2015/16

Programme R thousand	2014/15 Audited outcome				2015/16 Actual expenditure			
	Adjusted appropriation	Apr 14 - Sep 14 adjusted appropriation	Apr 14 - Mar 15 % of adjusted appropriation	Apr 14 - Mar 15 adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation/ Total (%)	Apr 15 - Sep 15 adjusted appropriation	Apr 15 - Sep 15 % of adjusted appropriation	
Administration	1 419 569	571 778	40.3	1 247 943	87.9	1 381 600	21.2	588 438 42.6
International Relations	3 047 451	1 617 318	53.1	3 119 882	102.4	3 506 175	53.9	1 618 268 46.2
International Cooperation	504 400	242 870	48.2	485 154	96.2	525 201	8.1	243 858 46.4
Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services	309 297	138 767	44.9	275 861	89.2	363 557	5.6	168 967 46.5
International Transfers	823 607	145 305	17.6	862 712	104.7	734 321	11.3	138 936 18.9
Total	6 104 324	2 716 038	44.5	5 991 552	98.2	6 510 854	100.0	2 758 467 42.4
Economic classification								
Current payments	4 996 634	2 410 902	48.3	4 954 181	99.2	5 561 292	85.4	2 557 921 46.0
Compensation of employees	2 581 799	1 348 641	52.2	2 709 749	105.0	2 986 231	45.9	1 361 251 45.6
Goods and services	2 414 835	1 062 261	44.0	2 197 842	91.0	2 525 858	38.8	1 173 649 46.5
Interest and rent on land	–	–	–	46 590	–	49 203	0.8	23 021 46.8
Transfers and subsidies	833 713	149 701	18.0	868 962	104.2	740 277	11.4	141 120 19.1
Departmental agencies and accounts	285 560	–	–	277 560	97.2	154 037	2.4	– –
Foreign governments and international organisations	539 440	145 305	26.9	585 152	108.5	580 284	8.9	138 936 23.9
Households	8 713	4 396	50.5	6 250	71.7	5 956	0.1	2 184 36.7
Payments for capital assets	273 977	155 293	56.7	168 409	61.5	209 285	3.2	59 426 28.4
Buildings and other fixed structures	241 981	145 235	60.0	131 502	54.3	153 431	2.4	52 504 34.2
Machinery and equipment	31 996	10 058	31.4	36 878	115.3	55 854	0.9	6 922 12.4
Software and other intangible assets	–	–	–	29	–	–	–	– –
Payments for financial assets	–	142	–	–	–	–	–	– –
Total	6 104 324	2 716 038	44.5	5 991 552	98.2	6 510 854	100.0	2 758 467 42.4

Expenditure trends for the first half of 2015/16

Total expenditure in 2014/15 was 98.2 per cent of the 2014/15 adjusted appropriation. Expenditure in the first six months of 2015/16 was R 2.8 billion or 42.4 per cent of the adjusted appropriation of R6.5 billion for the year. In comparison, mid-year expenditure in 2014/15 was R2.7 billion, or 44.5 percent of the adjusted appropriation of R6.1 billion. Compared to expenditure in the first six months of 2014/15, expenditure over the same period in 2015/16 increased by R42.4 million or 1.6 per cent. The increase is mainly due to the provision of logistical support and protocol services provided at the 25th African Union ordinary session of heads of state and government held in June 2015.

Departmental receipts

R thousand	Adjusted estimate	2014/15				2015/16			
		Audited outcome				Actual receipts			
		Apr 14 - Sep 14	% of	Apr 14 - Mar 15	% of	Budget estimate	Adjusted estimate	Adjusted receipts estimate/Total (%)	Apr 15 - Sep 15 % of
Departmental receipts	46 189	31 977	69.2	35 147	76.1	48 182	41 846	100.0	13 928 33.3
Sales of goods and services produced by department	818	444	54.2	903	110.4	908	2 114	5.1	845 40.0
Transfers received	-	-	-	-	-	-	244	1	244 100.0
Fines, penalties and forfeits	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	- - -
Interest, dividends and rent on land	1 582	1 694	107.1	1 090	68.9	1 373	2 506	6.0	1 384 55.2
Sales of capital assets	3 859	-	-	3 033	78.6	3 907	2 061	4.9	1 311 63.6
Transactions in financial assets and liabilities	39 930	29 840	74.7	30 114	75.4	41 994	34 921	83.5	10 144 29.0
Total	46 189	31 977	69.2	35 147	76.1	48 182	41 846	100.0	13 928 33.3

Revenue trends for the first half of 2015/16

Revenue in the first six months of 2015/16 was R13.9 million, or 33.3 per cent of the adjusted revenue estimates of R41.8 million for the year. In comparison, mid-year revenue received in 2014/15 was R32 million, or 69.2 per cent of the 2014/15 adjusted estimates. Compared to the first six months of 2014/15, revenue over the same period in 2015/16 decrease by R18 million or 56.4 per cent. The decrease in revenue is due to the depreciation of the Rand against major currencies.

Changes to transfers and subsidies, including conditional grants

Summary of changes to transfers and subsidies per programme

R thousand	Main appropriation	2015/16						Adjusted appropriation	
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation		
International Transfers									
Foreign governments and international organisations									
Current	438 384	-	99 090	-	-	-	99 090	537 474	
African Union	160 216	-	6 484	38 300	-	-	44 784	205 000	
India-Brazil-South Africa Trust Fund	9 424	-	2 250	12 410	-	-	14 660	24 084	
African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States	4 378	-	588	-	-	-	588	4 966	
Southern African Development Community	50 374	-	38 102	-	-	-	38 102	88 476	
United Nations	146 334	-	51 666	-	-	-	51 666	198 000	
Humanitarian Aid	29 358	-	-	(12 410)	-	-	(12 410)	16 948	
African Union Commission	38 300	-	-	(38 300)	-	-	(38 300)	-	

