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Department:  
Trade, Industry and Competition  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

### QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

#### QUESTION NO. 786

#### **Mr D Bergman (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:**

What number of roles (a) are currently vacant since the restructuring of the SA Bureau of Standards and (b) will be advertised in the next six months? NW964E

#### **REPLY:**

The South African Bureau of Standards has furnished me with the following response to the question:

As part of the Turnaround Plan, the SABS undertook an organisational review exercise with the objective of determining a suitable Operating Model and a fit for purpose Organisational Structure which got approved by the Administrators following extensive consultations with the SABS employees. The new structure has 829 positions, but the management agreed to freeze 71 posts due to budget constraints. That left a total of 758 posts. To fill these positions, some of which were new, others redefined, the matching and placement process was undertaken and concluded in October 2023.

As at 31 March 2024, 662 of 758 positions were filled.

Of the 96 posts, the management has prioritised the filling of 59 vacancies due to further financial constraints. These will be filled as follows:

- 37 in 2024/25, and
- 22 in 2025/26, subject to the availability of funding.

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