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Department:
Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 842

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

What (a) total number of times has the SA Bureau of Standards appointed a service provider to appoint a Chief Executive Officer and (b) has been the total cost of the consulting fees to date? NW1022E

REPLY:

The South African Bureau of Standards has advised as follows:

A service provider was appointed in 2020, when the SABS was led by Administrators. They conducted the search including advertising, the development of a longlist for the SABS to consider and shortlisting. Following the appointment of a new Board, the process was re-activated in 2023, and the same service provider was asked to conclude the work. The work completed covers the following: advertising, response handling, preparing and presenting a longlist, and headhunting. The Board concluded however that no appointment could be made based on the recommendation of the service provider. The consultancy fee was R209 999.

A new service provider was appointed in 2023 to continue with the process of searching for the suitable candidate in the position of the SABS CEO. The work included advertising, processing of responses, headhunting and candidate sourcing. The cost of consultancy fees to date is R429 333.

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