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Department:  
Trade, Industry and Competition  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## **THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

### **QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

#### **QUESTION NO. 1419**

##### **Mr R W T Chance (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:**

Whether his department is considering proclaiming the Fetakgomo-Tubatse development in Limpopo a Special Economic Zone; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details of the development? NW1576E

#### **REPLY:**

I published a Notice in the Government Gazette (No. 52348) on 20 March 2025 (<https://www.thedtic.gov.za/wp-content/uploads/FTSEZ-GAZETTE-NOTICE-52348.pdf>); with the intention to designate the Fetakgomo-Tubatse development in Limpopo a Special Economic Zone; and the general public has been given thirty (30) days, from date of publication, to comment.

The proposed SEZ will focus on, amongst others, - beneficiation of the platinum group metals, chrome and vanadium resources; agro-processing; and renewable energy technologies. The SEZ will be developed around the R555 corridor, with an intention to create a new smart city, supported by mixed use developments. The Limpopo Province has already made considerable progress in the implementation of the proposed Fetakgomo-Tubatse SEZ.

Once the commentary process and all the relevant evaluations / feasibilities have been finalised, the matter will be taken to Cabinet for approval to designate.

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