

## THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

## **QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

# **QUESTION NO. 163**

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

On what date will his department (a) finalise the (i) internal audit and (ii) investigations into allegations of misgovernance and corruption at the SA Bureau of Standards, (b) publicise the findings of the audit and investigation and remedial actions taken and (c) announce the appointment of a permanent chief executive officer? NW185E

#### **REPLY:**

- (a) On 04 February 2025, the DG addressed a letter to Hon. Masina, informing the Committee that the investigation will commence on 05 February 2025 and the Department expects to conclude the investigation by 31 May 2025.
- (b) Once the investigation has been finalised, **the dtic** will brief the Portfolio Committee on the outcomes.
- (c) As indicated in the above-mentioned letter, dated 04 February 2025: "It is difficult to finalise the process of appointing a CEO in an environment where the board has to be stabilised. It is therefore necessary to sequence the processes in such a way that a fully constituted board can finalise the appointment process of a CEO in consultation with the Ministry and Government overall.".

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