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## THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

### QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

#### QUESTION NO. 2720

**Ms L M Ngobeni (ActionSA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:**

(a) What inter-ministerial mechanism encompassing (i) his department, (ii) the Department of Home Affairs, (iii) the SA Police Service, (iv) the Department of Employment and Labour, (v) the SA Revenue Service, (vi) the Department of Small Business Development and (vii) the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs currently co-ordinates the enforcement of the Immigration Act, Act 13 of 2002, in the small business sector and (b) on what date did the inter-ministerial mechanism last meet? NW2802E

#### REPLY:

(a) and (b)

The Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (**the dtic**) wishes to note that the primary inter-ministerial mechanism with relevance to this question is the Immigration Advisory Board (IAB), established under section 4 of the Immigration Act 13 of 2002 and reconstituted under the leadership of the Minister of Home Affairs.

The IAB is composed of 13 members drawn from three categories: independent experts with knowledge and experience in immigration law, control, adjudication or enforcement; representatives nominated by organised business and labour; and nominees from relevant government departments and entities.

While **the dtic** was approached and did nominate an official for representation on the IAB, the Department was ultimately not included among the Government departments currently seated on the Board. Representation is presently held by the National Treasury, the Department of Tourism, and the State Security Agency (Domestic Intelligence).



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As the IAB falls under the authority of the Department of Home Affairs, **the dtic** is not in a position to provide a comprehensive account of the Board's activities, meeting schedule, or deliberations.

For a further details to parts (a) and (b) of the question, the Honourable Member is respectfully directed to the Minister of Home Affairs.

[Source: <https://www.gov.za/news/media-statements/minister-leon-schreiber-appoints-immigration-advisory-board-01-apr-2025> ]

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