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Department:
Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 3028

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

- (1) What (a) plans does he have regarding the establishment of formal institutional arrangements for the Cannabis and Hemp Masterplan and (b) are the timelines for the arrangements;
- (2) whether he has plans to ensure that there are adequate resources deployed and capacity built to implement the Cannabis and Hemp Masterplan; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW3490E

REPLY:

- (1) The institutional arrangements for the implementation of the Cannabis and Hemp Master Plan are already in-place. This includes an Inter-Governmental Committee comprising of key departments and entities; a Steering Committee with representatives from government, industry, labour and communities to drive implementation; a dedicated Secretariat; and a Programme Management Unit (PMU), which coordinates implementation.

At the highest level, oversight is provided by the Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) on Hemp and Cannabis, which ensures alignment across Government and provides strategic direction. These structures are aimed at ensuring coherent, cross-cutting implementation of the Master Plan.

- (2) Yes, **the dtic** is leading this process of the Cannabis Master Plan, supported by key departments such as - the Department of Agriculture; Department of Science, Technology and Innovation; Department of Justice; Department of Health; Department of Small Business Development; and the South African Police Service, amongst others.

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