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Department:
Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 4086

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

Whether internal discussions have been initiated by his department about the possible mergers and/or consolidation of the entities that report to him, specifically the technical institutions such as the SA Bureau of Standards, National Metrology Institute of South Africa and the regulators like the National Credit Regulator and others; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) what progress has been made in this regard, (b) by what date will a decision be made as to the organisational structure of his department and the entities reporting to him and (c) what (i) operational efficiencies and (ii) annual savings are anticipated resulting from such mergers? NW4633E

REPLY:

(a), (b), (c)

No internal discussions have been initiated by the Department about the possible mergers and/or consolidation of the entities that report to the Minister. **the dtic** has resolved to reinstate the organisational structure that was formally approved and consulted with the Minister for Public Service and Administration, in lieu of the current operational structure, which lacks official endorsement. As part of the Fit-for-Purpose process, the Department is in the process of assessing the proposed macro-organisational structure through further internal consultations. It is anticipated that the final recommendations with regard to the macro-organisational structure will be presented to the Minister for consideration in September 2025.

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