

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION 1420

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

1420. Mr R B Bhoola (MF) to ask the Minister of Energy:

What progress has been made with the restructuring of her department, specifically with regard to the vacancy rate? NW1663E

Reply

The restructuring of the department is on schedule in terms of our plan and in line with the National Macro Reorganisation Committee process. The new Department of Energy was established on 01 April 2010 as envisaged with its own support services a function. There are 90 vacancies to be filled in the whole Department and the intention is to finalise this process by 31 May 2010 and, 11 of the aforementioned vacancies have already been filled.

Currently the department is in the process of filling 58 vacancies of which:

- 31 posts have been advertised;
- 3 are awaiting shortlisting;
- 9 are awaiting interviews (already shortlisted);
- 9 are in the final stages of filling (i.e submissions on route where shortlisting and interviews are already completed); and
- 6 interviews took place between 11 – 13 May 2010.