**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION NO. 1765-2023**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO.16-2023 DATED 12 MAY 2023**

**Mr. BS Madlingozi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

Whether the amalgamation of the National Arts Council and the National Film and Video Foundation into one entity was aborted; if not, what is the status of the amalgamation; if so, what (a) were the reasons that the amalgamation was aborted and (c) plans were put in its place? **NW2020**

**REPLY:**

The Feasibility Study on the Amalgamation of public entities recommended that the National Arts Council and the National Film and Video Foundation be merged to one entity which will be responsible for funding across the sector. This process has not been aborted and a task team has been assembled to manage the process of amalgamation of these two entities and others as recommended by the feasibility study report. It will start its work in the current financial year.