**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION NO. 2294-2022**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**“Mr. T W Mhlongo (DA) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

Whether, with reference to his reply to question 1619 on 18 June 2021, he is now in a position to provide Mr. T W Mhlongo with the proposed timelines; if not, (a) why not and (b) by what date will he be in a position to furnish the proposed timelines; if so, what are the relevant details? **NW2711E**

**REPLY:**

The Departmental Task Team on amalgamation has mapped a process towards the merger of the National Arts Council and the National Film and Video Foundation. The estimated timeline for the merger of the two entities will be informed by the conclusion of the enactment of the new legislation.

In this instance it is estimated that a period of 18 to 24 months is required for the drafting of the legislation and undertaking the consultation process before the draft bill is submitted to the National Assembly.