**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 3559 [NW4226E]**

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**3559. Mr D J Maynier (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:**

(1) Whether, in respect of the (a) mandatory and (b) additional cost containment measures specified in National Treasury Instruction 01 of 2013/2014, each specified (i) department, (ii) constitutional institution and (iii) public entity listed on Schedule 2 and 3 of the Public Finance Management Act, Act 1 of 1999, (aa) complied and/or (bb) failed to comply in the 2014-15 financial year;

(2) (a) why was there a failure to comply in each specified case and (b) what steps have been taken by the National Treasury to enforce compliance in each case? NW4226E

**REPLY:**

(1) Information on whether (i) departments, (ii) constitutional institutions and (iii) public entities complied with the (a) mandatory and (b) additional cost containment measures specified in the National Treasury Instruction 01 of 2013/2014 is not available at the National Treasury.

(2) Information related to reasons on why there was (a) failure to comply with the mandatory and additional cost containment measures is not available at the National Treasury. Regarding (b), enforcement of the cost containment measures must be overseen firstly by the accounting officers of departments and constitutional institutions and by accounting authorities of public entities, secondly by the relevant arm of state and finally by the Auditor-General of South Africa to ensure compliance.