# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 3656**

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**Mr S Tambo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:**

Noting that a certain person (details furnished) has interest by virtue of being a subsidiary of Aspen, which is a direct beneficiary, (a) how and (b) what (i) are the reasons that the chairperson of the SA Health Products Regulatory Authority board became a member of the COVID-19 vaccine procurement board and (ii) does he make of the possibility of conflict of interest in this regard? **NW4477E**

**REPLY:**

The assertions made in the question have no substance since there has never been a COVID-19 vaccine procurement board and the Chair of SAHPRA has never been involved in vaccine procurement. The SAHPRA Chair is a member of the Ministerial Advisory Committee on COVID-19 Vaccines (VMAC).

(a) (b) (i) (ii) Not applicable

END.