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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 4127 of 2015**

**Mrs M R Shinn (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

(1)(a) How many applications for government-sponsored Set Top Boxes have been lodged at post offices around the country; (b) how many of the specified applications: (i) have been approved as at the latest date for which information is available (ii) have been rejected (iii) are still being processed; (2) what is the reason for the rejection of the specified applications?

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(1) (a) The total number of applications lodged at the 18 SKA area branches up to 30 November 2015 amounts to **2, 336** in total.

(b) (i) A total of **2, 074** qualifying applications has been processed up to 30 November 2015.

 (ii) A total of **262** non-qualifying applications has been processed up to 30 November 2015

(iii) A total of **274** applications for the period ending 30 November 2015 stills needs to be processed.

(2) The reasons for the **262** non-qualifying applications to date are the following:

(a) Foreign ID’s (Total: 1)

(b) Unknown address (Total: 207)

(c) Total household income above income threshold of R3200 pm (Total: 54)

**MR NN MUNZHELELE**

**DIRECTOR GENERAL [ACTING]**

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**DATE:**

**MS AF MUTHAMBI (MP)**

**MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**

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