**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION No. 464-2020**

**FOR WRITTE REPLY**

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**“Mrs V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

(a). What total number of curatorial positions in the various collections are vacant at present at the Iziko Museums of South Africa and (b)(i) how long have the specified positions been vacant and (ii) what has he found to be the reason(s) for this? **NW520E**

**REPLY**

1. There are 20 curatorial positions. There are 5 vacancies
2. (i) One position since 2016 and four since 2020 to date

(ii)There have been retirements and resignations. The institution was in the process of filling some of these positions with the limited funding it had but the global pandemic struck and financial austerity measures were imposed by National Treasury. This has severely affected the recruitment of staff at the Iziko Museums of South Africa.