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**QUESTION NO. 935**

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**935. Mr M S Malatsi (DA) to ask the Minister of Science and Technology:**

1. **Whether there is any position of (a) chief executive officer, (b) chief financial officer and/or (c) chief operating officer that is currently vacant in each entity reporting to her; if so, (i) how long has each specified position been vacant and (ii) what is the reason for each vacancy;**
2. **Have the vacancies been advertised; if so, (a) were interviews done and (b) on what date will the vacancies be filled;**
3. **(a) what is the total number of persons who are currently employed in the specified positions in an acting capacity, (b) for what period has each person been acting in each position and (c) has any of the specified persons applied for the positions?**

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**REPLY**

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| **Entity** | **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)** | | | **Chief Financial Officer (CFO)** | | | **Chief Operating Officer (COO)** | | |
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| **(a)** | **(i)** | **(ii)** | **(b)** | **(i)** | **(ii)** | **(c)** | **(i)** | **(ii)** |
| Council for Scientific and Industrial Research | No | N/A | N/A | No. However, the CFO tendered his resignation and his last day is 30 April 2017. | N/A | N/A | No | N/A | N/A |
| Human Sciences Research Council | No | N/A | N/A | Yes | January 2017 | Resignation | Yes | 16 March 2017 | Mutual termination of agreement |

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| **Entity** | **(a)** | **(b)** |
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| Council for Scientific and Industrial Research | Yes. The interviews are scheduled for 03 May 2017. | 1 July 2017. |
| Human Sciences Research Council | Yes. The CFO position was advertised. However, interviews not yet done. | The date is not confirmed. |
| No. The position of the Deputy CEO: Management Support is yet to be advertised. | The process is underway. |

1. (a) what is the total number of persons who are currently employed in the specified positions in an acting capacity, (b) for what period has each person been acting in each position and (c) has any of the specified persons applied for the positions?

| **Entity** | **(a)** | **(b)** | **(c)** |
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| Council for Scientific and Industrial Research | N/A | The Acting CFO will act until the new CFO is appointed and start on 1 July 2017. | * N/A |
| Human Sciences Research Council | * CFO: One * Deputy CEO: Management Support: One | * Acting CFO: since January 2017 * Acting Deputy CEO: Management Support: since 16 March 2017. | * Acting CFO: No * Acting Deputy CEO: not yet advertised. |