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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**937. Mr M S Malatsi (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

(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? NW1006E

**Reply:**

**NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (NDA)**

The position of (a) CEO was filled on 1 November 2016 with the appointment of Ms Thamo Mzobe. The position of (b) Chief Financial Officer became vacant after the resignation of the former CFO. Interviews were conducted for this position and it will be filled as soon as all relevant human resources has been completed. The position of (c) Chief Operating Officer was newly created in the NDA organizational structure that was approved by the NDA Board. Interviews were conducted for this position and it will be filled as soon as all relevant human resources has been completed.

**SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIAL SECURITY AGENCY (SASSA)**

The position of (a) Chief Executive Officer was filled on 1 November 2016 with the appointment of Mr Thokozani Magwaza. The position of (b) Chief Financial Officer was filled on 1 March 2016 with the appointment of Mr Tsakeriwa Chauke. The position of the (c) Chief Operating Officer is currently vacant and was advertised. The closing date for applications for this position was 8 March 2017. The post will be filled in the current financial year.