

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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466. Mr D J Maynier (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

Whether any applications for the interception of communication in terms of the (a) Interception and Monitoring Prohibition Act, Act 127 of 1992 and/or (b) Regulation of Interception of Communications and Provision of Communication-related Information Act, Act 70 of 2002, were made (i) directly by the SA Revenue Service (SARS) and/or (ii) indirectly by another organ of state on behalf of SARS in each specified calendar year between 1997 and 2016; if not, in each specified case, why not; if so, in each specified case, how many applications were (aa) submitted, (bb) authorised and/or (cc) refused?

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REPLY:

The following information is provided by South African Revenue Service (SARS) and cannot be verified by the Minister:

It is not within the SARS mandate to administer such activities directly.

(a)(b)(i)(ii)(aa)(bb)(cc) With the information at SARS disposal no such requests were made or approved either directly by SARS or indirectly through a third party.