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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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**PQ 1042. Mr A D Beesley (Action SA) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation: (1) What is the (a) total number of the foreign missions of the Republic currently in operation and (b) breakdown of the locations of the specified foreign missions by (i) city and (ii) country; (2) what is the breakdown of the total costs associated with maintaining the specified foreign missions in the 2023-24 financial year in terms of (a) rent and property rates for embassies, consulates and staff residences, (b) salaries and benefits for diplomatic and locally-recruited staff and (c) any other operational costs incurred; (3) whether there are any measures in place to review and manage the cost effectiveness of maintaining the Republic's foreign missions; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW1148E**

**REPLY**

(1)(a) 115 missions are currently in operation.

(1)(b)(i) Kindly refer to Annexure A for breakdown of the locations of the specified foreign missions by city.

(1)(b)(ii) Kindly refer to Annexure A for breakdown of the locations of the specified foreign missions by country.

(2)(a) Kindly refer to Annexure B for the breakdown of the total costs for rent and property rates.

(2)(b) Kindly refer to Annexure B for the breakdown of the total costs for salaries and benefits for diplomatic and locally-recruited staff.

- (2)(c) Kindly refer to Annexure B for the breakdown of the total costs for any other operational costs incurred.
- (3) No, the Department has recently closed ten missions as a result the Department is monitoring the adjustment.