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Ms T Bodlani (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies:

What are the relevant details of the progress made by the SA Postbank to improve the security deficiencies as identified by the SA Reserve Bank? **NW3395E**

REPLY:

To mitigate the security-related control deficiencies identified by the South African Reserve Bank, the Postbank implemented the following:

- An IT security provider was appointed to enhance network security and monitoring.
- A Quality Service Assessor has been appointed to make an assessment of Postbank Payment Card Industry (PCI) and Data Security Standards (DSS) compliance status.
- Policies and frameworks have been developed for key management, and new custodians for crypto-keys have been appointed.
- New Hardware Security Modules (HSMs) were procured and will be deployed in accordance with industry best practices in the new data centre and Disaster Recovery environment.

Thank You.