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Question:

Is there any reason the DTO was not originally placed in a central agency like DPMC or the Department of Finance when first formed.

Answer:

When the Digital Transformation Office (DTO) was established, the Government decided to make it an Executive Agency in the Communications portfolio, responsible to the then Minister for Communications.