

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
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106. Mr D R Ryder (Gauteng: DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

- (1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question 647 on 4 October 2023, a binding agreement has been signed between the Gauteng Provincial Government and national government on the province's financial commitments to pay off the debt, its contribution to the backlog maintenance on the network and administrative costs that are associated with the recovery of tolls from the defaulting users; if so, on what date was the agreement signed;
- (2) (a) what are the provincial funding sources for the backlog maintenance and rehabilitation of the network and (b) what is the time frame in this regard;
- (3) what (a) processes and (b) other conditions form part of the agreement?

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REPLY

- (1) The binding memorandum of agreement was signed between the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Transport and Gauteng Provincial Government (duly represented by the Premier of Gauteng) on the 28th March 2024. Administrative costs associated with the recovery of tolls from the defaulters are not yet determined and is part of a broader ongoing discussion on various options that are being considered and this will be communicated once a decision is taken and approved by the relevant authorities.
- (2) The Gauteng Province is best placed to respond to the issue of the provincial funding sources.
- (3) The agreement preserves the principles of intergovernmental coordination and cooperation and delineates the roles and responsibilities of each party.