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Sent: 20 April 2023 09:07 AM
To: Premier Lesufi (GPDPR)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Letter from OUTA Seeking Questions to the ongoing E-toll saga.

Dear Premier Lesufi.

Thank you for your message.

I stand by my comments, that the decision to do away with the e-toll scheme does not rest with the Gauteng Province and does rest with Sanral (according to the act), with the permission and approval of the Minister of Transport. Thus, we are correct to have made such a pronouncement.

The purpose of our desire to seek engagement with you and / or your office, is to obtain a better understanding of what the barriers are to bringing this matter to finality, from your perspective, as the scheme continues to operate to this day (months after we have been led to believe it would have halted).

In addition, we would like to understand how and why the Gauteng Provincial office has committed itself to funding 30% of Sanral's GFIP debt, as we don't believe the province is under any obligation to do so. We say this because the entire decision was taken and driven by Sanral, the DoT and the Minister of Finance at the time (2007 to 2008). In addition, the Gauteng Province ceded the R21 (a provincial road) to Sanral at the time. We also believe that in the event the Province is amenable to contributing 30% to Sanral's debt, we question the amount thereof, as our records show that Sanral has already received significant contribution from National Treasury to date, for the GFIP debt.

It is our view that if we were to engage with you, we may be able to share insights that you are not aware of, and which may provide you with more information that could assist with reducing the Gauteng Province's contribution to this debt.

We are only trying to help and believe this engagement will be constructive and of benefit to the Province. I do understand that our criticism of Government and your office may be viewed in a negative light, but this is the reality that stems from our role as a civil action organisation. It shouldn't however be a barrier to seeking constructive engagements and finding solutions that are in the best interests of the people whom Government serves.

I look forward to your positive response hereto in the hope that we can meet in due course.

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