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**865. Mrs K Jooste (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

With reference to her reply to question 1437 on 20 July 2016, what progress has been made with regard to acquiring the Trust Bank building for use by the SA Social Security Agency office in the Kempton Park area? **NW931E**

**Reply:**

SASSA Gauteng Region, through the National Department of Public Works (NDPW) is in the process of acquiring permanent office accommodation for the Kempton Park area.

The procurement process is at an advanced stage as the submission for entering into a lease agreement with the recommended service provider has been routed to the Director General of NDPW for approval/disapproval, we now await feedback from his office.

Several engagements have been made seeking progress in this regard, to date no tangible response is forthcoming. As the Agency we are committed to finalizing this process however we rely on our counterpart of which is the National Department of Public Works.

The Agency will continue to engage with the National Department of Public until the process is finalized.