



Ms. WM Mosupyoe, MPL
Speaker of the Gauteng Provincial Legislature
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Dear Madam Speaker,

**RESPONSE TO QUESTION 5.PS048 TABLED BY MEMBER J BLOOM
OF THE DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE (DA), DUE ON 06 JULY 2026**

**5. PS048. With reference to the terminated contract for the supply of
helicopters to the Gauteng Airwing Unit, could the MEC please
indicate:**

- i. On what date was the decision taken to terminate the contract;

Reply:

**The decision to terminate the contract was taken on 06
January 2026.**

- ii. What specific irregularities were identified that resulted in the
termination of the contract? Please provide a detailed description of
each irregularity;

Reply:

**During the 2023/2024 external audit cycle, the Auditor-General of
South Africa (AGSA) identified that the Department
had participated in the RT61-2018 Transversal Contract for the
hiring and leasing of aircraft and helicopters to the State. However,
the Department deviated from the RT61-2018 Transversal Contract,**

as the services procured from Simunye Air Charter were not included in the contract circular for services under that contract.

- iii. Which provisions of applicable legislation, regulations, Treasury Instructions, SCM policies, or procurement procedures were found or alleged to have been contravened;

Reply:

- **Section 38(1)(c)(ii) of the PFMA no 1 of 1999**
- **PFMA SCM Instruction note 3 of 2021/2022**
- **Treasury Regulation 16A6.1, 16A6.3 and 16A6.5**
- **Paragraph 2.2.4 of the Supply Chain Management Guide for Accounting Officers/Authorities (SCM guide) of 2024, paragraph 3.2 and paragraph 4.5.1 of the SCM Guide**
- **Paragraph 4.2.7 of the RT61-2018 Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) and paragraph 15.2 of the RT61-2018 Special Conditions of Contract**

- iv. Was any investigation, audit, forensic investigation, or legal review conducted in relation to the irregularities;

Reply:

Given the complexity of the matter, a request for investigation was sent to the Office of the Premier. The investigation is currently underway.

- v. If so, please provide:

- a) the name of the investigating body or service provider;
- b) the date on which the investigation commenced;
- c) the date on which it was completed;
- d) the findings and recommendations; and
- e) whether the report will be made available to the Legislature.

Reply:

Information requested	Response
Investigating body/service provider	Special Investigating Unit (SIU)
Date investigation commenced	09 April 2026
Date investigation completed	Investigation not yet completed
Findings and recommendations	Investigation not yet completed
Availability of the report to the Legislature	The report will be made available upon completion and on request.

- vi. Have any officials, employees, service providers, or other parties been implicated in the irregularities;

Reply:

At this stage, all employees who participated in the selection of the service provider have been flagged as persons of interest.

- vii. If so, how many individuals have been implicated;

Reply:

At this stage, four (4) individuals have been implicated. This number will be accurately confirmed as the investigation progresses.

- viii. What disciplinary, civil, criminal, or administrative actions have been initiated;

Reply:

This will be determined by the outcome of the investigation.

- ix. What is the current status of such proceedings; and

Reply:

This is dependent on the completion of the investigation.

- x. Have any officials been suspended, dismissed, or referred to law enforcement agencies?

Reply:

No suspensions have been effected at this stage. Other processes are dependent on the outcome of the investigation.

Regards,



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Premier of the Gauteng Provincial Government

Executive Authority of Gauteng Department of Community Safety

Date: _____

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