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MANDATED LEAD MANAGERS FOR THE 2004/05 FOREIGN FUNDING

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The National Treasury has awarded JP Morgan and Barclays the mandate as Lead Managers for the 2004/05 foreign funding. Rand Merchant Bank of South Africa has been awarded the mandate for Senior Co-Lead Manager.

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