41. Ms M S Khawula (EFF) to ask the Minister of Finance:

Whether (a) the National Treasury and (b) any entities reporting to him contracted the services of certain companies (details furnished); if so, what was the (i) total monetary value of the contract and (ii) duration of the contract?

REPLY:

NATIONAL TREASURY

(a) No

(i) (ii) N/A

ASB

The Accounting Standards Board has not contracted the services of any of the companies.

CBDA

The Co-operative Banks Development Agency has not contracted the services of any of the companies.

DBSA

(b) No.

(i) NIL

(ii) N/A
FIC

(b) The Financial Intelligence Centre has not contracted any services of companies as listed.
(i) Not applicable.
(ii) Not applicable.

FAIS OMBUD

Based on our records and scrutiny of the system, the FAIS Ombud can confirm that no contracts or services were utilized from the service providers listed.

FSCA

The Financial Sector Conduct Authority (including the former Financial Services Board) has never engaged the entities named as their service providers or suppliers.

GEPF

The GEPF has not contracted any of the entities.

GPAA

According to our records, the Government Pensions Administration Agency and GEPF have no records of the above companies in our system.

IRBA

The IRBA hereby declares that we have not contracted any of the services from the companies listed.

PFA

Based on the information available at my disposal, the Office of the Pension Funds Adjudicator has never contracted the services of the companies listed.
LAND BANK

Land Bank does not have any contracts in place with any of the companies listed above.

We have, however, utilized Eavesdropping Detection Services which is a division of Corporate Business and Insight Awareness on a once-off basis for confidential work for Technical Surveillance Counter Measures. This order was placed in December 2018. Payment of R53 241.32 was made to Corporate Business and Insight Awareness on 21 January 2019.

Corporate Business Insight and Awareness is a new supplier on our database and all the necessary screening including AML was conducted prior to them being loaded.

PIC

The Public Investment Corporation (PIC) contracted the services of Corporate Business Insight and Awareness (CBIA) in the 2014/15 financial year.
(i) The total monetary value was R20 621.00.
(ii) This was a once-off assignment.

SARS

According to the SARS financial systems:

1. There is no indication that SARS contracted with Eavesdropping Detection Solutions (EDS).

2. There is no indication that SARS contracted with Cell Detect; or Business Espionage Countermeasures South Africa (BECSA).

3. SARS did make purchases from the vendor named Corporate Business Insight and Awareness (CBIA). The total payments made to CBIA are indicated below and these date back to the Financial Year 2006/2007 until Financial Year 2014/2015.

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SASRIA

Sasria SOC Ltd is currently (and had previously) not contracted the services of the following companies:

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TAX OMBUD

The Office of the Tax Ombud did not conduct any business or award any tender to any of the aforementioned companies.

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