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Ms LD Mazibuko (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

- (1) Whether (a) the National Treasury and (b) any entity reporting to the Treasury was approached by a certain political organisation (name furnished) to contribute to its centenary celebrations; if so, in each case, (i) which entities and (ii) what was the (aa) nature and (bb) value of the contribution that was requested;
- (2) Whether (a) the National Treasury and (b) any of its entities reporting to him has a policy that provide for such funding; if so,
- (3) Whether (a) the National Treasury and (b) any of the specified entities reporting to him (i) agreed to the request and (ii) made financial contributions to the said political organisation; if not, why not, if so, in each aces, (aa) who approved the request (bb) on what grounds was the decision made, (cc) from which budget was it agreed to pay the contribution, (dd) what amount was paid; (ee) who made the decision to provide the specified funds to the said political organisation and (ff) how is this (aaa) decision and (bbb) amount justified?

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Reply:

- (1) No except for DBSA who was approached by Ballyhoo Media Company offering them participation in the centenary celebrations¹
- (2) No
- (3) No

¹ The nature of the offer was for the DBSA to consider participation and or providing a financial payment in respect of a possible corporate classified listing at a cost of ZAR 5 000 +VAT or a possible one page corporate message at a cost of ZAR 49 950 + VAT in a limited edition, 300 page hard cover coffee table book that celebrates one hundred years of the ANC leadership.