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QUESTION FOR ORAL REPLY

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Mrs J D Kilian (Cope) to ask the Minister of Finance:

Whether, with reference to the recently announced financial bridging arrangement to Swaziland, the grant was made subject to the (a) unbanning of all political parties and (b) release of political prisoners (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY:

The request from the Swaziland government was for a loan from the South African Reserve Bank to the Swaziland central bank, which loan will be guaranteed by the South African Government.

The request was not for a grant. No agreements have been signed to date and there has been no progress on this matter.