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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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2126. Adv A de W Alberts (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Finance:†

- (1) Whether there is any indication that the application of the clean-break principle when a member of the Government Employees' Pension Fund (GEPF) gets divorced will be discontinued; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether the GEPF has done any research to establish what the unintended consequences are for members who get divorced when the disbursed portion is converted into an automatic loan; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what is the (a) legal basis and (b) directive judgment that establishes the practice whereby a loan is created without the member having a say in and regarding its creation?

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REPLY:

The following information was submitted by the Government Employees Pension Fund (GEPF) Board:

- (1) The Board of Trustees has already decided to amend the implementation of the clean-break principle on divorce. It will be discontinued when the Government Employees Pension Law is amended and all the relevant approvals are granted.
- (2) Yes, research was done and the GEPF board was comfortable that there would be no unintended consequences.
- (3) This matter is currently *sub judice*.