

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
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3734. Mr T Rawula (EFF) to ask the Minister of Finance:

- (1) Whether the Public Affairs Research Institute (PARI) was awarded any contracts that a certain person (name furnished) was involved in as a government official; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) on what date was the tender awarded, (b) what is the total number of bidders who submitted bids, (c) what was the bidding price of each bidder and (d) what was the bidding price of the PARI;
- (2) whether the specified person declared her relationship with the PARI when each contract was awarded; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY

- 1) PARI was awarded a contract to complete an Expenditure and Performance review of the duplication of language services in Pan South Africa Language Board (PanSALB), Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic Communities (CRL) and The Language Services in the Department of Arts and Culture.
 - a) The tender was awarded on 7 October 2013 by a panel of five officials, of which a certain person (name furnished) was part.
 - b) The tender was a composite tender across a number of sectoral topics and 47 bids were received. For the topic of language services duplication, PARI was the only bidder.
 - c) PARI was the only bidder and their bid price was R548 700.
 - d) PARI's bid price was R548 700.

- 2) A certain person (name furnished) did not have a relationship with PARI at the time of the awarding of the contract. Three years after this body of consulting work was completed, she became a Research Fellow at PARI in May 2017. Apart from the Expenditure and Performance Review on language services duplication, she has had no involvement in any other work between PARI and GTAC.