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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 2885**

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**Dr H C Volmink (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

With regard to the awarding of the tender for the development of Portions 87, 148, 149 and the remainder of Portion 1 of the farm Rietfontein 61 IR, City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality and the Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report Gaut: 002/13-14/E0153 wherein it is stated that soil scientists will conduct soil tests in order to confirm whether the feature identified is a grave and to test for any other signs of human remains or anthrax or diseases in the soil (details furnished), have the results of the specified test indeed been made available; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details of such results?

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**REPLY:**

The tender for the awarding of the development of Portion 87, 148, 149 and the remainder of Portion 1 of the farm Rietfontein 61 IR was done through the Department of Local Government and Housing. Since the Department of Health is not involved in the planned development on the site except for the relocation of the Sizwe Tropical Disease Hospital, any legislative requirements and compliance relating to future development of the land (including but not limited to soil tests) would not be handled by this Department and all queries regarding this can be referred to the Department of Local Government and Housing.

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