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Hon. T. Godi, MP
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Dear Mr Godi

VOTE 38: DEPARTMENT OF WATER AFFAIRS (DWA): UNAUTHORISED EXPENDITURE TO THE AMOUNT OF R3.782 MILLION INCURRED 2005/06 FINANCIAL YEAR

The National Treasury is in receipt of a letter dated 14 December 2012 received from the Department of Water Affairs requesting that an amount of R3.782 million incurred as unauthorised expenditure in the 2005/06 financial year should be recommended to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts to be condoned and provided for in a Finance Bill.

The Treasury has reviewed the findings of the Auditor-General and explanations provided by the Department of Water Affairs. It appears that the unauthorised spending in question arose as a result of inadvertent breaches of expenditure limits on a research study, purchases of goods and services and regional service council levies. Since there is no evidence of impropriety, wasteful expenditure or losses to the state, National Treasury recommends that the unauthorised spending of R3.782 million be condoned and that it be provided for in a Finance Bill as a direct charge against the National Revenue Fund.

Kind regards

Head: Parliamentary Office
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cc: Director-General: DWA