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**1437. Ms S P Kopane (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

With reference to her reply to question 261 on 31 March 2015, (a) when will the SA Social Security Agency office in Kempton Park, Gauteng, be opened and (b) what are the reasons for the delay? NW1585E

**Reply:**

1. SASSA, Gauteng Region, through The National Department of Public Works (NDPW), is in the process of acquiring permanent office accommodation for the Kempton Park area.

The submission of bidding documents has since closed. Three (3) weeks ago SASSA was requested to view a possible facility, which was The Trust Bank Building, same is considered suitable.

The NDPW has indicated its commitment to accelerate and finalise the entire process of acquisition in a speedy manner.

1. The Kempton Park office was shut down as a result of a Landlord who no longer had interests in the business of letting office accommodation; as a result the Agency had to leave the area.