**Ms C N Mkhonto (EFF) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

Whether there are any existing working relations between Truckers Association South Africa and her department; if not, why not; if so, what agreements and/or Memoranda of Understanding exist between the two to manage their working relations, specifically in small towns along the national roads where they seem to be at loggerheads? NW1846E

1. **REPLY**

Yes, the then Minister of Transport, Mr Fikile Mbalula, established a Road Freight and Logistics Task Team (Task Team) to serve as a conduit to the Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) and it comprises all stakeholders within the road freight industry, the Departments of Transport, DHA, DEL, SAPS and DIRCO. Trucking Association of South Africa (TASA) is also a member.

At a meeting held on 22 June 2022 with some of the Ministers constituting the IMC wherein a media briefing was held where three documents were signed and they are

(i) The terms of Reference;

(ii) An implementation Plan; and

(iii) A pact.

were signed by the RFL stakeholders and some of the Departments in attendance.

The Task Team was formally established with a maximum of 2 representatives from each organisation,

The Task Team is hosted by the Department and its meets on a monthly basis wherein progress is monitored and evaluated on the activities of the outlined in the Implementation Plan.