**National Assembly**

**Question No. 206**

 **Mr J R B Lorimer (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(1) What (a) operations is the (i) SA National Roads Agency SOC Ltd (SANRAL) and/or (ii) entities reporting to him conducting and/or have they conducted from the property at 265 Pasteur Road, Blackheath, Johannesburg, (b) total number of employees of SANRAL and the specified entities reporting to him work at the property, (c) were the reasons to use the specified property and (d) process was followed to contract with the owners of the property;

(2) whether SANRAL and/or entities reporting to him have been informed that (a) activities at the property are in violation of the property zoning and (b) the buildings on the property are without plans and therefore illegal; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the further relevant details? NW209E

**REPLY**

1 (a) (i) SANRAL is conducting no operations from the property at 265 Pasteur Road.

1 (a) (ii) A service provider VEA Roads appointed by SANRAL for the Routine Road Maintenance Contract (NRA X.002-128-2019/1) of National Route N1 Section 19, N1 Section 20, N1 Section 21, N3 Section 12, N12 Section 18 & N17 Section 1 (Johannesburg Freeway RRM) is conducting its operations from 265 Pasteur Road and using it as site office for the Routine Road Maintenance contract. According to SANRAL Service Provider this property is registered as a business, as confirmed with the owner.

1 (b) No employees of SANRAL work at the property. For the SANRAL appointed service providers the following employees work at the property:

* 6 x representing the Consulting Engineers of Ndodana/Oarona JV;
* 3 x Employees from the Main Contractor (Vea Roads);
* Security on-site

1 (c) The SANRAL appointed service provider indicated that they selected the property because it is:

* Registered as a business.
* Fully furnished as an office with network points, fibre installation etc.
* Central locality of the property in relation to the project been administered from this property and easy access to the Gauteng Freeways.

1 (d) The SANRAL appointed service provider indicated that they contacted the property agent known as RAWSON, put down their requirements and this property was identified by RAWSON and a lease then entered into by service provider.

2 (a) SANRAL or any of its entities has not been informed that activities at the property are in violation of the property zoning.

2 (b) SANRAL or any of its entities has not been informed that buildings on the property are without plans and therefore illegal.

SANRAL has requested the service provider that is leasing the property to obtain written confirmation from the lessee with regard to relevant approvals regarding zoning and plans. Should there be any non-compliances, SANRAL will insist that the service provider ensures that they are rectified.