**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY:**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 2082**

**Mr C D Matsepe (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(1) Whether the Government signed any agreements for the construction of the Moloto Rail Corridor with any companies or any governments, which binds the Government to any financial commitments; if so, what financial commitments were explicitly agreed to;

(2) whether his department has made provision for the specified agreements in its 2018-19 budget or the medium-term budget; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) whether an open tender process was followed for the specified agreements; if so, what are the relevant details;

(4) what process with regard to the signing of agreements will be followed in future in order to complete this project;

(5) on what envisaged date will the construction of the specified project commence?

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**REPLY:**

1. Government has not signed any agreement for the construction of the Moloto Rail Corridor with any company or government which binds the Government to any financial commitment.
2. Please refer to the response in (1) above.
3. Please refer to the response in (1) above.
4. Government will comply with the provisions of Section 217 of the Constitution and will not enter into any agreement without first following a competitive public procurement process.
5. The Moloto Rail Corridor project has concluded a conceptual design as part of the 2014 Feasibility Study. The detailed design and construction of the Moloto Rail Corridor will only commence once funding for the project has been secured.