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**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**574. Ms A M Siwisa (EFF) asked the Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure:**

With reference to a meeting that took place on 16 February 2022, where the Portfolio Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure was briefed on plans to release buildings to be utilised as shelters for female victims of gender-based violence, (a) on what date is it envisaged that the buildings will be released and (b) what is the total number of such buildings in each (i) province, (ii) region and (iii) municipality? **NW642E**

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**REPLY:**

**The Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure**

**(a and b)** I’ve been informed thatthe Department has already released eleven (11) buildings for use by victims of Gender-Based Violence and Femicide (GBVF). Those properties are listed below as follows:

**Table A**

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| **No.** | **PROVINCE** | **PROPERTY AREA** |
|  |  |  |
| 1. | Western Cape | Albertina |
| 2. | Western Cape | Laingsburg |
| 3. | Western Cape | Aurora |
| 4. | Western Cape | Aurora |
| 5. | Western Cape | Mooreesburg |
| 6. | Western Cape | Heidelberg |
| 7.  | Gauteng | Salvokop, Pretoria |
| 8. | Gauteng | Pretoria |
| 9.  | Gauteng | Pretoria |
| 10 | Gauteng | Pretoria |
| 11. | Gauteng | Johannesburg |

In addition to the above, the Department has identified more properties and jointly conducted site inspections with the Department of Social Development in various provinces. The Department is awaiting confirmation from the Department of Social Development on properties which must be released for use by victims of Gender based Violence. As a result the Department is unable to confirm the date on which the properties would be released.

I have requested a meeting with the Minister of Social Development, to expedite the handover.

The total number of 39 such buildings in each (i) province, (ii) region and (iii) municipality are listed on Annexure A.