**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER:** **811 [NW969E]**

**811.     Ms E L Powell (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:**

With regard to the irregular expenditure incurred in respect of the personal protective equipment tenders awarded to a certain supplier (name and details furnished), what remedial actions does the National Treasury intend to take in each case (details furnished)?                                                                                           NW969E

**REPLY**:

The numbers referenced in the document are BAS Payment numbers.

Please find attached the extract of BAS payments made by the National Department of Human Settlements and Water and Sanitation to Travel with Flair. These payments were consolidated payments which included other items and or services that were not Covid-19 related.

(a) PM-2420322, Total payment of **R487 735.00** of which **R103 000.00** was Covid related.

(b) PM-2420317, Total payment of **R437 710.00** of which **R126 875.00** was Covid related.

(c) PM-2420328, Total payment of **R496 715.20** of which **R59 830.00** was Covid related.

(d) PM-2420330, Total payment of **R272 005.00** of which **R135 000.00** was Covid related.

(e) PM-2420329, Total payment of **R492 595.00** of which **R253 750.00** was Covid related.

(f) PM-2420326, Total payment of **R199 105.00** of which **R125 750.00** was Covid related.

In all cases the Covid-19 related expenditure (in red text on **Annexure A**) is referring to “Consumables: Medical Kit”. Based in this payment information, the National Treasury cannot completely determine whether these payments constitute irregular expenditure.

The National Treasury will, however, request the Department of Human Settlements and Water and Sanitation to provide the details of the transactions to determine whether the transactions complied with National Treasury Instruction No. 05 of 2020/2021 which was applicable at the time of the transactions.