

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION: 923

Mr F J Mulder (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition

- Whether his department awarded any tenders connected to the COVID-19 pandemic; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what (a) are the names of the businesses to whom these tenders were awarded, (b) are the amounts of each tender awarded and (c) was the service and/or product to be supplied by each business;
- 2. whether there was any deviation from the standard supply chain management procedures in the awarding of the tenders; if so, (a) why and (b) what are the relevant details in each case;
- 3. what was the reason for which each specified business was awarded the specified tender;
- 4. whether he will make a statement on the matter? [NW1212E]

REPLY

- 1. I am advised by the Director-General that no tenders were awarded. To address the safety of staff and utilizing the guidelines issued by the Department of Public Service and Administration, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) was procured through a quotation process. Masks, gloves and sanitizers were bought to the total value of R188 794.
- 2. The Department advised that standard supply chain management procedures were followed with no deviation and further that all procurement procedures followed the relevant National Treasury prescripts.
- 3. In light of the above, it seems that no statement is required; but should circumstances require a statement to be made, I do so.

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