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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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QUESTION:

6561. Mr M Manyi (MK) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:

- (1) What are the reasons that no beneficiaries were ever allocated and/or housed in the flats near the Dube Hostel despite the completion of the units;
- (2) whether there were (a) administrative, (b) political and/or (c) technical reasons that delayed occupation; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW7350E

REPLY:

Responses:

The response from the Gauteng Provincial Department of Human Settlements is that:

- 1) The Gauteng Provincial Department of Human Settlements working jointly with the City of Johannesburg and the leadership of the Dube Hostel (Izinduna), beneficiary verification processes were initiated to finalise allocation lists for the newly completed units. However,

before allocation could proceed, the units were subjected to extensive vandalism. As a result, no beneficiaries were allocated or housed in the flats despite the completion of the project.

2) a); b) & c)

The Provincial Department handed over the Dube Hostel redevelopment project to the City of Johannesburg in the 2014/15 financial year. This decision was based on the following considerations:

- a. The hostel falls within the mandate and jurisdiction of the City of Johannesburg;
- b. The City is the legal custodian of the asset and is responsible for its ongoing management, maintenance, and upkeep.

Accordingly, administrative responsibility for allocations, maintenance, and all subsequent decisions regarding occupation rests with the City of Johannesburg as the implementing and asset-holding authority.