

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## AGSA notes with concern comments by MEC for Human Settlements

The Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) has noted with concern the comments by the Gauteng MEC for Human Settlements and Infrastructure Development about the audit outcomes of the human settlements department. This concluded audit outcome followed all the necessary procedures and was signed off following detailed engagement with the management, accounting officer and audit committee of the department on 31 July 2022.

We are also concerned about the prospects of the matter reaching the courts after it was concluded and without following the AGSA's normal dispute resolution process, which should have been used to raise and resolve concerns that arise during the course of the audit.

The AGSA will await official correspondence from the department and hopes to resolve the matter without having to go through the court process.

We encourage all auditees to follow the established dispute resolution process, which has been successfully used to resolve disputes for many years.

End.

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