

# JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY

## HERITAGE ASSESSMENT SURVEYING FORM

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**NAME OF PLACE: JOHANNESBURG ROADS AGENCY BUILDING**

Bottom left: the subject building in the middle-background, as viewed from a position southwest of the building, in Pritchard Street. Seen in the foreground on the right is the *Kerk Street Mosque* in Kerk Street.

Bottom Right: the building, next to the *FNB Bank City Buildings Complex*, as seen from the *Mandela Bridge*.

Previous/alternative name/s : originally - *Finansbank Building*

**LOCATION:** Street : Sauer  
 Street number : 66  
 : [5, 7 Kerk, 66, 68, 70, 72 Sauer; 114,116 Jeppe]  
 Stand Number : 1176, 1177, 1178, 1182, 1183, 1184  
 Previous Stand Number: 1212, 1213, 1214, 1316, 1317, 1318  
 Block number : AK  
 GIS reference :

**ZONING:** Current use/s :  
Previous use/s :

**DESCRIPTION OF PLACE:**

Height : 86.5m  
Levels above street level : 15  
Levels below street level : two  
On-site parking : yes

This is one of the most attractive Post Modern buildings in the City.

**CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:**

Walls:

Roof:

Windows:

**SITE FEATURES:**

**ALTERATIONS:**

**INTEGRITY:**

**INSCRIPTION:**

**ARCHITECT:**

Moross & Partners.

**BUILDER:**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE:**

Date on plans :  
Approval of plans :  
Completion date :

**BUILDING STYLE:**

Post Modern Decorative.

"Architectural Merit: "Of the mirror façade buildings, this is the best example in the city, which through its facets, engages in the city." (Johannesburg Building, Space & Urban Feature Classification, 1998: Inner City).

**BUILDING TYPE:**

Office building.

**ENVIRONMENT:**

**CONDITION:**

Good.

**URGENT ACTION:**

**SAHRA RECORD REGARDING ALTERATIONS, RENOVATIONS, RESTORATION:**

**PROTECTION STATUS:** (under National Heritage Resources Act, 1999)

General protection: Section 34(1) structure/s

- Formal protection:           provincial heritage site
- national heritage site
- provisional protection
- heritage area
- listed in provincial heritage  
resources register

Relevant Gazette Notice:

Gazette description:

**FORMER PROTECTION STATUS:** (under National Monuments Act, 1969)

**NOTES:**

**DEEDS INFORMATION:**

Original ownership: Anglo American Life.

**PRE-HISTORY OF SITE:**

MYLUR HOUSE:

By 1954, the *Mylur House* occupied the 114, 116 Jeppe Street portion of this site.

**HISTORY:**

**GENERAL NOTES:**

Estimated cost of building       : R12 000 000  
 Estimated cost of drainage       : R250 000  
 Accommodation approved       :  
 Valuation at completion       :  
 Occupied                            :

CURRENT TENANT:

Johannesburg Roads Agency.

**SOURCES:**

*For additional illustrative information, see relevant supplementary photo album in electronic format.*

See SOURCES DOCUMENT for information on sources consulted with reference to this document.

**ASSESSMENT OF CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:**

Historic Value:

- Associated with historic person, group or organisation
- Associated with historic event or activity

Architectural/Aesthetic value:

- Important example of building type
- Important example of a style or period
- Fine details, workmanship or aesthetics
- Work of a major architect or builder

Social/Spiritual/Linguistic value:

- Associated with social, spiritual, linguistic, economic or political activity
- Illustrates an historical period

Scientific/Technological value:

- Example of industrial, technical or engineering development/achievement
- New, rare or experimental building techniques

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