###### National Assembly

###### Question Number: 1554

**1554. Mr I M Ollis (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

Is the SA National Roads Agency Ltd aware that residents of Alexandra, Johannesburg, (a) have broken the concrete palisade fence alongside the N3 Freeway and (b) in some cases, are erecting structures close to or inside the road reserve; if so, (i) has a site inspection been carried out in this regard and (ii) will the fence be replaced? NW1755E

**REPLY**

1. The SA National Roads Agency SOC Ltd (SANRAL) is aware that the concrete palisade fence along the N3 freeway near Alexandra, Johannesburg is continuously being vandalised by the community. The community (pedestrians) removes the fence uprights to gain access into the road reserve in order to walk a shorter distance to the Industrial area across the freeway, through the N3 freeway and Marlboro Drive.
2. There are no structures built or erected within the road reserve. The erected structures are within the yards, at the back of the houses.
	1. As part of the SANRAL’s maintenance strategy, the national road network is continuously under the supervision of the Routine Road Maintenance (RRM) engineering consultants and contractors, who patrol their respective routes daily. Regarding the above-mentioned route, the RRM engineering consultant and contractor has inspected the area. The fence has been broken in two localized areas.
	2. The fence is being repaired continuously due to vandalism by pedestrians referred to in (a) above. The contractor has been instructed to repair the fence and will commence with the work as soon as the funds are available.