**National Assembly**

**Question Number: 3539**

**Mr M S F de Freitas (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(a) Why has the Fish Hoek and Simon’s Town link been closed, (b) by what date will the link be re-opened and (c) what alternatives are in place?

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**REPLY:**

1. On 28 January 2018, a delivery truck struck a descending boom at the level crossing. The force of the accident sent the boom crashing into a 3,000 volts overhead power supply with disastrous consequences. The powerful current rippled down the line, destroying three relay rooms (cabins) in its wake. The damage affected both the automated signaling system and the operation of the boomed level crossings.
2. The line was re-opened end of April 2018.
3. During extended closures the train shuttle is replaced by a bus shuttle.