**National Assembly**

**Question Number: 359**

**Mr M Waters (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(1) What is the name of the (a) engineer who conducted a certain inspection (details furnished) and (b) company that the specified engineer works for;

(2) has he found that there is no threat of structural damage and/or danger to life;

(3) by what date will all the recommendations of the engineer be implemented;

(4) will he furnish Mr M Waters with a copy of the full report of the engineer?

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**REPLY:**

**Airports Company South Africa SOC Limited (ACSA)**

1. The inspections were carried out by Mr. Nathaniel Seseletsi, who is employed by Airports Company South Africa in the capacity of Chief Civil Engineer. Mr. Seseletsi’s background is structural engineering and is a Certified Bridge Inspector by the South African National Roads Agency Limited (SANRAL).
2. The considered findings, which are contained under Section 2 of the enclosed report, confirm that there is no danger to human life. The report further confirms that, whilst cracks are structural in nature (i.e. they result from structural behaviour of the Bridge), they will not result in the collapse of the bridge.
3. The recommendations of the Chief Civil Engineer have been implemented, however the final inspection has not been conducted as the piers still need to re-painted. All works on the Piers will be concluded by Friday 01 March 2019.
4. The ACSA internal memo with the findings, conclusions and recommendations (Titled Pier 23 at ORTIA elevated road and dated 30 January 2019) has been enclosed with the responses.