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**Attention: News Editors / Transport Reporters
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THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT DR BLADE NZIMANDE TO VISIT THE PAARDEN EILAND DEPOT IN CAPE TOWN FOLLOWING NUMEROUS TORCHING OF METRORAIL TRAINS IN CAPE TOWN

Minister of Transport, Dr Blade Nzimande, will have a walk-about at the Paarden Eiland Depot in Cape Town to view damages to the PRASA infrastructure sustained during various arson attacks on Metrorail trains in Cape Town.

Following the Minister visit to the depot, the Minister will also engage various stakeholders in the rail sector including political formations.

The Minister's visit follows the commitment made during the Department of Transport Budget Vote presentation that he will convene a series of stakeholder meetings which will include PRASA, the City of Cape Town, Trade Unions, Municipal Councillors and political formations.

These meetings are aimed at monitoring progress in the implementation of projects aimed at modernising and improving rail services in the Western Cape and Cape Town in particular. The meetings also seek to forge partnerships with stakeholders to improve Metrorail services in the Western Cape.

The visit will take place as follows:

Date: 27 July 2018

Venue: PAARDEN EILAND DEPOT
Time: 09h00

NB: Members of the media are invited to join the Minister during the walk about at the Paarden Eiland Depot

Members of the media attending the briefing are requested to confirm their attendance with Tshegofatso Maake: maaket@dot.gov.za / 063 281 9453.

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