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Security Advisory: Safety Precautions on N2 Freeway

Location: Vicinity Cape Town Airport Interchange

Please note for your safety and that of family and friends that there has been a spate of attempted robberies on the N2 Freeway in the vicinity of the on and off-ramps at the airport interchange.

Rocks, pieces of concrete and/or stones are being placed on the road at night causing vehicles to crash into them.

On Wed 2 July a motorist heading from the airport hit an obstacle in the road and was stabbed & mugged after he stopped his car.

On Friday 4 July at approximately 22h25 during poor visibility, a cardboard box containing a piece of concrete was placed in one lane. A motorist heading from the airport to the city saw the box but was unable to swerve into the adjacent lane due to cars passing him. The car hit the box, the left tyre punctured and the driver managed to drive further to stop under a freeway light. Six men came from behind throwing bricks at his windows (fortunately fitted with anti-smash- and- grab film). He managed to accelerate and drove off.

On Sunday 13 July at approximately 21h00, a motorist heading to the city from the airport hit stones across the lane and was forced to stop. He then saw men coming toward him and despite serious damage to the car's undercarriage managed to drive to the nearest safe location – Vincent Pallotti Hospital car park. The car is a write-off. The same night a further nine incidents of rocks on the N2 were reported by motorists.

Security Advice

- If possible drive to a safe location at a slow speed (in case of damage to your vehicle undercarriage) e.g. the nearest petrol station or well-lit area or as above to the nearest hospital car park.
- Call the City of Cape Town emergency centre on 021 480 77 00 and then the CSO emergency centre 086 18 911 18. Keep the cell phone line open for return calls from the security officers.
- Fit your vehicle windows with anti-smash-and-grab safety film.