

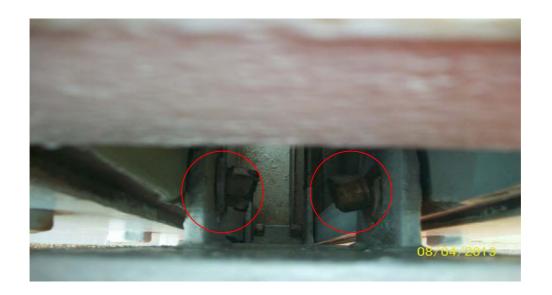
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At the North east main tower on the main-span side, the outer balustrade cover plate hatch located on the north face has moved out. This plate appears to be some form of inspection hatch connected to four sliding plates (2 top & bottom) and have retaining bolts which are located in the slots. On inspection it appears that the top 2 bolts are badly distorted and that the inspection plate is misshapen vertically over its length. This maybe purely coincidental, but this has never been noticed until the removal of the D.O.C. access stairs at this location.



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