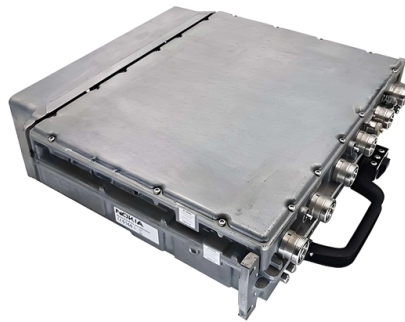


Botswana s fiber optic cable cut



Overview

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AI Overview

Internet connectivity in Botswana was disrupted due to cuts in the EASSY and WACS undersea cables, with restoration expected after repairs. Incident Overview Botswana experienced internet disruptions following cuts to two major undersea fiber optic cables: the EASSY (Eastern Africa Submarine System) in the Red Sea and the WACS (West Africa Cable System) near Cameroon. These incidents affected international traffic, particularly connections to London and Europe, causing slow speeds and temporary outages for some users, including services like Microsoft 365 (BoFiNet). Impact on Connectivity The cable cuts forced BoFiNet to reroute internet traffic through alternative submarine cables. While this mitigated some disruption, there remained a risk of further outages if additional failures occurred within South Africa or other regional links. The situation highlighted the vulnerability of landlocked countries like Botswana, which rely heavily on undersea cables for international connectivity. Restoration Efforts BoFiNet announced that full internet connectivity was expected to be restored by May 2024, following repairs to the EASSY and WACS cables. The company has also been investing in domestic infrastructure upgrades, including modernizing core and metro networks and expanding local data centers, to improve resilience and reduce reliance on international links. Broader Fiber Infrastructure Botswana has been actively enhancing its fiber network. Projects like t...

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OverviewBackgroundDisruptions from 18 November 2024ReactionsSuspicious shipsInvestigationsSee also

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