



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE NO. 3

MEMORANDUM

<b>To</b>	<b>Hon Peter Breen MLC</b> <b>Hon Amanda Fazio MLC</b> <b>Hon Edward Obeid MLC</b> <b>Hon Charlie Lynn MLC</b> <b>Hon Greg Pearce MLC</b> <b>Hon John Tingle MLC</b> <b>Hon Ian West MLC</b>	<b>cc:</b>	<b>Hon Peter Primrose MLC</b> <b>Hon Don Harwin MLC</b> <b>Hon Henry Tsang MLC</b>
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**From** Budget Estimates Secretariat

**Subject** Answers to Questions on Notice – Police

**Date** 21 October 2004

**Reference**

Please find attached a copy of the answers provided to the questions taken on notice by the Hon John Watkins MLC, Minister for Police at the Budget Estimates hearing on Monday 13 September 2004.

Tanya Bosch  
Director, Budget Estimates

# Minister for Police

Ms Tanya Bosch  
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Dear Ms Bosch

I refer to your correspondence, received by me on September 21, concerning the Estimates Committee hearing of September 13, 2004.

I have provided advice below in relation to each of the paragraphs you had highlighted.

- 1) I answered the question on the night and have nothing further to add to the answer already given.
- 2) The Division of Analytical Laboratories is part of NSW Health and for that reason, I believe this would be best answered by that agency.
- 3) I have taken advice from the Ministry for Police and do not believe that there would be anything appropriate for tabling.
- 4) There is no specific funding allocation for the matter raised by the Honourable Member.
- 5) I am advised that a check carried out from July 2003 to June 2004, of records pertaining to lost/stolen appointments, shows no appointment has been lost or stolen.
- 6) I am advised by the Ministry for Police that the authorised strength is 14.
- 7) The Ministry for Police has advised me that this year, more than 200 operations have been undertaken on and around public transport hubs and railways stations. For the same period, more than 500 have been conducted statewide. The other matters raised were answered by me on the night of the hearing.

- 8) I am advised by the Ministry for Police that the contract is commercial in confidence.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours faithfully

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**John Watkins MP**  
**Minister for Police**

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GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE NO 3

16 September 2004

Ref: GP 04/26

The Hon. J. A. Watkins MP  
Minister for Police  
Level 34 Governor Macquarie Tower  
1 Farrer Place  
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Minister

**RE: QUESTIONS TAKE ON NOTICE DURING BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

I refer to your appearance before General Purpose Standing Committee No 3 on 13 September 2004. During the hearing you and/or your departmental officers agreed to take a number of questions on notice.

These questions can be found in the Hansard transcript for the hearing on the following pages: p9, p12, p13, p14, p25, p26, p27. Please find these pages from the transcript attached with the relevant text highlighted.

The Committee has resolved that you be requested to provide answers to these questions within 35 days of the date of this letter, that is, by close of business 21 October 2004.

Please include the questions together with your answers, and direct your response, in paper and electronic formats, to:

The Director  
General Purpose Standing Committees  
Parliament of New South Wales  
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SYDNEY NSW 2000

[budgetestimates@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:budgetestimates@parliament.nsw.gov.au)

If you require further information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee Secretariat on 9230 2641. Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "TBosch".

Tanya Bosch  
Director, Budget Estimates

cc Virginia Knox, Danielle Bevins