

LEIGHTON MARSHALLING YARDS, LEGAL ADVICE

367. Hon C L Edwardes to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to the proposed redevelopment of the Leighton Marshalling Yards, and *The West Australian* article dated March 1 2001, and ask -

- (a) what date was the legal advice sought on the status of the redevelopment;
- (b) did *The West Australian* article reflect the legal advice received, in that, the Government was not bound legally to continue with Leighton Shores, as the developer of the Leighton Marshalling yards;
- (c) if so, were there any qualifications to that statement in the legal advice; and
- (d) if not, what was the legal advice received?

Ms MacTIERNAN replied:

- (a) March 2001.
- (b) Yes. However the advice was based on certain factual assumptions concerning the conduct of the parties, which assumptions are contested by the consortium awarded preferred proponent status.
- (c) See above.
- (d) Not applicable.