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Hon Derrick Tomlinson; Hon Nick Griffiths

SHARON MASON MURDER, SECURE STORAGE OF FORENSIC MATERIAL

281. Hon DERRICK TOMLINSON to the minister representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- (1) Is all evidentiary material, including physical samples used for forensic analysis, relating to
 - the police investigation of the disappearance of Sharon Mason at Mosman Park on 19 February 1983.
 - (b) the discovery and investigation of remains identified as those of Sharon Mason at Mosman Park in July 1992; and
 - (c) the subsequent trial and retrial of Arthur Greer on charges of wilful murder in 1993 and 1994 preserved in secure storage?
- (2) Is that material maintained so that it can be retrieved for further examination and analysis at any time?

Hon NICK GRIFFITHS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. I advise the member that the Minister for Police and Emergency Services has provided the following response -

(1)-(2) The Police Service advises that the exhibit items and material associated with this case have, at various times, been retrieved from a central storage area and used for ongoing forensic examination and assessment or by investigators during their inquiries. Subsequently, some of this material is no longer centrally stored but is available for further examination and analysis if required.