

GOVERNMENT VEHICLES, MS WOODS

1160. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs

I refer to the answer to question on notice No. 803 concerning Ms Woods and to *The West Australian* article entitled 'State refuses to punish officer' of 29 September 2001 and ask the Minister to respond to question on notice No. 803 in detail?

Mr CARPENTER replied:

I refer to the 15 questions on Question on Notice No. 803

- (1) Ms Woods was allocated a motor vehicle under the Department of Indigenous Affairs' Parking and Vehicle Allocation policy.
- (2) Mr David Pedler, Regional Manager, Midland Office is Ms Woods' supervisor. Mr Pedler became aware of the incident on 15 June 2001.
- (3) Regional Operations Directorate. The Assistant Director responsible was Mr Richard May. The Director responsible was Ms Vanessa Davies.
- (4) The Assistant Director was advised on 20 June 2001.
- (5) 20 June 2001.
- (6) Mr Richard May.
- (7) 30 July 2001.
- (8) No.
- (9)-(12) Vehicle use is governed by policy provisions of the Department of Indigenous Affairs and not State Legislation provisions.
- (13) No.
- (14) The Department of Indigenous Affairs accepted the explanation given by Ms Woods and her assurance to adhere fully to Departmental policy requirements in the future.
- (15) 19 June 2001.