

MINISTERS OF THE CROWN, AIR CHARTER SERVICE, AUDIT

2533. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Premier

I refer the Premier to the 2002/2003 Annual Report of the Department of Premier and Cabinet and ask -

- (a) when was the last time the Ministerial Air Charter Service was audited;
- (b) what reviews and reports were undertaken into the Ministerial Air Charter;
- (c) will the Premier table copies of the audit, reviews and reports compiled by the Department of Premier and Cabinet and referred to in the Annual report for 2002/2003; and
- (d) if not, why not?

Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:

- (a) December 2003.
- (b) Since Ministerial Air Charter services were transferred to the Department of the Premier and Cabinet in 1994, the Ministerial Air Charter service provider has been subject to regular operational due diligence/safety inspections. In addition, reviews of usage, client satisfaction, financial due diligence and contract variations have been conducted in conjunction with these audits.
- (c)-(d) The inspection and review documentation forms part of the working papers integral to the good governance of the Ministerial Air Charter contract. The reports are prepared for the Director General and reviewed by the Office of the Auditor General, however they are not made generally available for commercial confidentiality and security reasons. However, if the Member has a specific question in relation to the operation of the contract I would be pleased to provide a response.