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GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, COMPUTERS AND MOBILE PHONES, LOST OR STOLEN

2300. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for State Development

I refer to the answers to questions on notice Nos 2132 to 2147 inclusive, relating to the loss or theft of laptop computers, notebooks and palm computers and mobile phones and ask -

- (a) how many of these losses or thefts were reported to the police;
- (b) when were they reported;
- (c) of those reported, what has been the outcome; and
- (d) if any were not reported to the police, why not?

Mr C.M. BROWN replied:

I am advised:

- (a) Of the 14 lap-top computers lost or stolen, 13 were reported to police. None of the mobile phones were reported.
- (b) Reports were made immediately after the losses occurred.
- (c) There has been no recovery of stolen computers nor apprehension and charging of offenders following police investigations. However, resulting financial losses were recovered on insurance.
- (d) One of the lap-top computers, and all of the mobile phones were not reported to police, as in each case it was determined that there was insufficient evidence to enable a police investigation.