

ACACIA PRISON, MONITORING OF STANDARDS

887. Mr RIEBELING to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Justice:

- (1) Does the Ministry of Justice intend to ensure that Corrections Corporation Australia (CCA) maintains proper standards of conduct in its management of the new Acacia Prison?
- (2) Has the Ministry of Justice nominated one or more officers to monitor the standards at the Acacia Prison?
- (3) If so, what is the management and salary level of the officers responsible for monitoring these standards?
- (4) Has the Ministry nominated one or more officers to carry out investigations of any incidents or standards at the new Acacia Prison?
- (5) Are those officers direct employees of the Ministry of Justice?
- (6) What officers have been appointed to carry out this task?
- (7) Do any of the officers appointed to carry out this task have a good track record of carrying out inquiries on behalf of the Ministry?
- (8) If so, what officers have that experience and track record?

Mr BARRON-SULLIVAN replied:

The Minister for Justice has provided the following reply.

- (1) Yes
- (2) A range of external regulatory bodies (eg the Inspector of Custodial Services and the Ombudsman) and Ministry of Justice business units will monitor standards at Acacia Prison.
- (3) It is not possible to develop a definitive list of persons who may from time to time be involved in monitoring standards at Acacia Prison
- (4) A range of external regulatory bodies (eg the Inspector of Custodial Services and the Ombudsman) and Ministry of Justice business units will carry out investigations of any incidents or standards at Acacia Prison.
- (5) Some.
- (6) It is not possible to develop a definitive list of persons who may from time to time be involved in carrying out investigations of incidents or standards at Acacia Prison.
- (7) Both regulatory authorities and the Ministry of Justice have good track records in carrying our inquiries.
- (8) Refer (4)