

POLICE SERVICE, AUDIT OF TRAINING PROCEDURES AND EQUIPMENT

1745. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

I refer the Minister to *The West Australian* of 23 June 2003 and the item titled 'Police union eyes safety' and ask

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- (a) has an audit been conducted of training procedures and equipment supplied to the Western Australian Police Service;
- (b) if so, when was the audit conducted and when was it completed;
- (c) what recommendations have been made regarding the training and equipment supplied to the Western Australian Police Service;
- (d) which recommendations have been implemented and when will the balance be completed;
- (e) if an audit has not been under taken, when will an audit be done; and
- (f) if no audit has been done, how does the Minister expect the Western Australian Police Service to comply with new Occupational Health and Safety Laws from 1 January 2004?

Mrs M.H. ROBERTS replied:

The Western Australia Police Service advise:

- (a)-(f) Audit of training within the Police Service is an ongoing process that is maintained by continuing internal review and external validation by the Training Accreditation Council. The Council is responsible for ensuring that registered training organisations comply with Australian Quality Training Framework Standards.

The Western Australia Police Service's obligations under the Occupational Health and Safety Laws are carefully considered as part of the ongoing review of training and appropriate remedial strategies are developed and implemented as and when necessary.