

POLICE, NORTH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, RADAR MODEL

332. Mr A.P. O'Gorman to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

I refer to the North Metropolitan Police District now being trimmed to 260 officers as per the R.A.D.A.R. model and ask -

- (a) does the R.A.D.A.R. model make provision for maternity leave;
- (b) does the model make provision for officers extended sick leave, or leave from duty for disciplinary reasons;
- (c) does the model make provision for officers training;
- (d) is there provision in the model to replace officers in a district when the operational staff drop more than 5% below the R.A.D.A.R. recommended allocation; and
- (e) will the Minister direct the Police Commissioner to include the above provisions in the R.A.D.A.R. model if they are not already provided for?

Mrs M.H. ROBERTS replied:

- (a)-(e) RADAR was developed to assist in the equitable allocation of police officers across the state. It does not (nor was it intended to) deal with staff management and deployment issues.

While the RADAR methodology assists in resource allocation decision-making, the primary responsibility for deploying and managing resources rests with Regional Commanders, in conjunction with District Superintendents and Officers in Charge of police stations. This includes the management of all leave, training of officers and any other absences from the work place.

Therefore, it is neither appropriate nor practicable to include the above factors in the resource allocation model.