

CYCLONE SEROJA — DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS

1161. Hon MARTIN ALDRIDGE to the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to the answer to Legislative Council question without notice 1022 asked on 25 October 2022 and answered on 26 October 2022, and my member's statement on 27 October 2022 about cyclone Seroja recovery funding.

- (1) Can the minister confirm the accuracy of the answer provided that \$25.42 million of the \$104.5 million disaster recovery funding arrangements package has been expended to date?
- (2) Can the minister confirm that the funds dispersed and identified in part (2) of the question, including the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund, were all funded from the DRFA package?
- (3) If no to (1) or (2), when will the minister correct his answer and apologise to the Legislative Council?
- (4) Who advised the minister that \$25.42 million of the DRFA package has been expended to date?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(2) The answer to Legislative Council question without notice 1022 is correct.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) No-one has ever stated that \$25.42 million of DRFA funding has been expended.