PARLIAMENTARY INSPECTOR OF THE CORRUPTION AND CRIME COMMISSION — REPORT INTO EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE BY POLICE

626.   **Dr A.D. BUTI to the Minister for Police:**

(1)   Has the minister read the recent parliamentary inspector's report into the Corruption and Crime Commission?

(2)   If no to (1), why not?

(3)   Will the police commissioner's referral of the second incident back to the CCC include the claim of a hit-and-run accident by Mr Cunningham's friend?

Mr R.F. JOHNSON replied:

(1)–(3)   I have not read the whole report, no; I will be honest with the member. I have not had a chance to. I have been rather busy, but I intend to read it over this weekend.

Dr A.D. Buti interjected.

Mr R.F. JOHNSON: I have answered the first part of the question. The second part was —

Dr A.D. Buti: The second part of the question was: if the minister has not read it, why not?

Mr R.F. JOHNSON: Because I have not had time to.

Dr A.D. Buti: The third part was the allegation by police that Mr Cunningham's friend was involved in a hit-and-run accident.

Mr R.F. JOHNSON: It is not for me to investigate something that the member is suggesting.

Dr A.D. Buti: Has that been referred to the CCC?

Mr R.F. JOHNSON: I explained yesterday, and the day before, that the commissioner has asked the CCC to investigate all the matters that the member is referring to. The letter is dated 9 September or 13 September; I am not sure.

Dr A.D. Buti: The allegation of the hit-and-run accident was not in the report, but it was in the matter of public interest debate on Tuesday.

Mr R.F. JOHNSON: The member is saying that. I do not know whether there is any validity whatsoever in that argument. It is not for me to investigate allegations of that nature. I have spoken to the police commissioner and I have told the member that he has asked the Corruption and Crime Commission to revisit all those allegations and the investigations into those two individuals from Fremantle—Mr Cunningham and the other person.