

JAKARTA TRADE OFFICE

1124. Hon RICK MAZZA to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

Minister, the media has recently reported that Western Australia's trade office in Jakarta, Indonesia, is to be closed. If this is the case —

- (a) when will the office be closed;
- (b) will the trade commissioner's contract be terminated; and
- (c) what alternative arrangements are being considered to represent Western Australia's significant interests in trade with Indonesia?

Hon PETER COLLIER replied:

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

- (a)–(c) The current regional director's contract term expires on 31 December 2014. The future of our representation in Indonesia is being examined. One option is for an embedded full-time Western Australian trade officer to be located in the Austrade office in the Australian embassy in Jakarta.