GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, BARRACK SQUARE REDEVELOPMENT

30. Hon Bob Thomas to the Minister for Transport:

With regard to tender 292/99 advertised in The West Australian on November 6 1999 for the construction of maritime structures and dredging for redevelopment of Barrack Square - stage 1 maritime works -

- (1) Has a tender been let?
- (2) Who was the successful tenderer?
- (3) Exactly what work is involved in this project?
- (4) When will the project be completed?
- (5) Will this project cause any alterations to the operations of the usual ferry companies who utilise the older structures?
- (6) If so, what provision has been made by the Department of Transport to ensure that the business operations of these companies do not suffer?

Hon M.J. CRIDDLE replied:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Transfield Construction Western Australia.
- (3) Construction of two multi purpose two-storey pavilions over water, construction of one new jetty and extensions to three existing jetties, 7000m³ of navigation channel and berthing basin dredging, landscaping and service and access improvements to all jetties.
- (4) Target completion is March 2001.
- (5) Not substantial. The Transperth Ferry shall now operate from Jetty Two.
- (6) Business continuity has been provided for in direct consultation with all affected leaseholders. The transition from existing to new premises has been achieved by the provision of high quality temporary business accommodation at no cost to the leaseholders. Media advertising and an active public relations campaign has been an initiative implemented by Transport to ensure the public is aware of the continued trading of the leaseholders.