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TRISTAN DIMER — GRAYLANDS HOSPITAL

1041. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Mental Health:

I refer to the minister's advice given in response to question without notice 202 on 18 June 2013 in relation to Tristan Dimer that —

The decision regarding compensation will be made by me once I have had an opportunity to review the SSO advice, and only after the outcome of the SAT hearing on 24 June 2013.

- (1) What contact has the minister, her office, her department or WA mental health services had with Mr Dimer since 24 June?
- (2) What decision has the minister made regarding Mr Dimer's compensation?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Mr Dimer continues to be supported by the Statewide Specialist Aboriginal Mental Health Service. I meet with the director general of Health fortnightly, and I get an update on Mr Dimer regularly at that time.
- (2) The matter relating to compensation has progressed following advice from the State Solicitor's Office, plus there has been a State Administrative Tribunal hearing, plus Mr Dimer has had representation from the Mental Health Law Centre. The Minister for Health, in his capacity on the board of the Metropolitan Health Service, has the responsibility to finalise that arrangement, and that is being undertaken at the moment with advice from the Treasurer.