

MALCOLM DICK WILSON AND DEON JAMES RUFFIN — PRISONER TRANSFER

1270. Hon ROBIN CHAPPLE to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Corrective Services:

I refer to the transfer to Roebourne Regional Prison of prisoners Malcolm Dick Wilson and Deon James Ruffin from the South Hedland watch house.

- (1) At what time and date was the transfer commenced by Serco's prisoner transport system?
- (2) At what time was Serco's prisoner transport system advised that the transfer was required?
- (3) Did the Serco prisoner transport system leave the relevant transfer documents behind at the South Hedland watch house?
- (4) If yes to (3), at what time did the Serco prisoner transport vehicle return to collect the relevant documents?
- (5) At what time and date was the transfer to Roebourne Regional Prison concluded?

Hon KEN BASTON replied:

On behalf of the Attorney General and the Minister for Corrective Services, I thank the member for some notice of this question.

The Department of Corrective Services advises as follows —

- (1) This movement was a lock-up clearance. The two persons in custody—PICs—appeared in South Hedland Courthouse between approximately 0940 and 0945 hours on Monday, 4 August 2014. They were remanded into custody and transferred back to the police lock-up. The transport vehicle commenced its journey from South Hedland to Roebourne Regional Prison at 1406 hours on 4 August 2014. This is in accordance with the court security and custodial services contract, which stipulates that lock-up clearances are required to be conducted at the earliest opportunity but no later than 24 hours from receiving the request, unless Western Australia Police agrees otherwise.
- (2) The Serco–Roebourne transport crew were notified at approximately 1010 hours of the requirement to conduct a lock-up clearance and pick up the two PICs from South Hedland police lock-up once court was finished. The Serco–Roebourne transport crew departed Roebourne at 1030 hours to conduct the clearance.
- (3) No documents were left behind at the watch house.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) The Department of Corrective Services records indicate the PICs arrived at Roebourne Regional Prison at 1611 hours and were allowed entry into Roebourne prison at 1626 hours on 4 August 2014, the same day as the PICs were remanded in custody. The movement was within the time frames stipulated in the court security and custodial services contract for Roebourne Regional Prison for regional lock-up clearances.