

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE — RECRUITMENT PROCESS

255. Mrs L.M. HARVEY to the Premier:

I refer to the lobbying by the member for Burns Beach on behalf of Mr Glenn Crannage, an applicant for the position of Commissioner of Police, who was advised that he had not been short-listed to be interviewed for the position. Can the Premier now confirm whether Mr Crannage has now been advised that he will be interviewed for the position of police commissioner?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

I will read again the advice —

The decision to expand the short list was made at the suggestion of the Public Sector Commissioner.

Regarding the 10, 11 or what have you people on the short list, I will not reveal in here the names of people who have applied for a government job and I would not have thought the Deputy Leader of the Opposition would expect me to.

Mr A. Krsticevic interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for Carine, I call you to order for the third time. Pack your bags.

Mr M. McGOWAN: It is ridiculous to say that I should release the names of people who apply for government jobs. Imagine who might hold positions currently in other fields of employment.

Mrs L.M. Harvey interjected.

Mr M. McGOWAN: I am answering this question directly. People who might be serving in police forces around the country probably would not want their names released if they were applying for a job in another police force. I do not think it is appropriate at all to reveal the names of people who apply for government jobs and I would think the Deputy Leader of the Opposition would agree with that.