

POLICE — VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCIES

264. Mrs M.H. ROBERTS to the Minister for Police:

I have a supplementary question. I note that the minister did not answer the question as to whether every officer would be immediately replaced. Will the minister guarantee that her government will deliver the 550 additional police officers that were promised during the last election campaign?

Mrs L.M. HARVEY replied:

As I stated previously, the government is committed to finalising the first tranche of its growth program, which it implemented in 2009–10, and, of course, finalising the growth program that we committed to —

Mrs M.H. Roberts: When will you finalise that?

Mrs L.M. HARVEY: By the end of our four-year term, we will have grown our police force by an additional 550 police and auxiliary officers, as we committed to doing for the community of Western Australia.