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Hon Dr Brad Pettitt; Hon Stephen Dawson

POLICE — STATE SECURITY INVESTIGATION GROUP

1092. Hon Dr BRAD PETTITT to the minister representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to question without notice 972, answered on Thursday, 31 August 2023, about the Western Australia Police Force state security investigation group.

- (1) What is the name of the oversight committee referred to in part (2) of the answer?
- (2) Who are the members of this oversight committee, and what are their ranks?
- (3) Once a referral is received, what criteria is used to determine whether the referral falls within SSIG's area of operations and will be acted upon?
- (4) What is the specific process by which this referral is assessed, a determination made and tasks issued?
- (5) Will the minister table the operational charter of the SSIG?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following information has been provided to me by the Acting Minister for Police.

The Western Australia Police Force advise —

(1) It is the daily intelligence briefing, or DIB.

The answers for (2) and (3) are in tabular form.

I seek leave to have the response incorporated into *Hansard*.

[Leave granted for the following material to be incorporated.]

(2) Detective Superintendent, Security Operations Division;

Detective Inspector, Security Operations Division;

Detective Senior Sergeant, State Security Investigation Group (SSIG);

Senior Sergeant, State Protection Group;

Members of Fixated Threat Assessment Centre, Counter Violence Extremism; and Detective Sergeants, SSIG.

- (3) Under the SSIG's Charter of Responsibilities:
 - Incidents which present a risk to state and/or national security.
 - Political, Racial or Ideological motivated extremist unlawful behaviour.
 - Issue Motivated Groups who conduct activities which may lead to violence, serious criminal conduct and/or activities
 prejudicial to state/national security.
 - Instances involving improvised Explosive Device suspicious substance/s and/or Chemical, Biological, Radiological material is located.
 - Instances requiring specialist investigative support for 'post incident' terrorism investigations.
 - Instances requiring specialist investigative support into mass casualty threats.
 - Assessment and management of any threat posed by fixated individuals in conjunction with the Fixated Threat Assessment Centre charter.
 - Project Tango Threats made against police.
- (4) SSIG's divisional office triage the information, and referrals are assigned to an investigative group at the DIB for further inquiry as necessary.
- (5) Refer to answer (3).