

POLICE — STATE SECURITY INVESTIGATION GROUP

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

I refer to the Western Australia Police Force state security investigation group.

- (1) What specific categories of offending does the SSIG deal with?
- (2) Which legislation defines the authority and powers of the SSIG?
- (3) Does the SSIG have the capacity to deal with complaints or investigations referred to it by other entities, such as members of the public or private corporations?

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 Minister for Police.

The Western Australia Police Force advises the following.

- (1) I seek leave to have this part of the answer incorporated into *Hansard*.

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

- (1) 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.
- (2) The state security investigation group does not have any specific state legislation that enables it to operate or use powers or authority outside of legislation that all Western Australia Police Force officers act within.
- (3) Yes.