

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Guyula to the Minister for Police:

Trespass

1. How many **directions to leave** (written or verbal) have been recorded between 1 May 2023 to 1 September 2023?
 - (a) How many of these **directions to leave** applied to Crown Land?
 - (b) What percentage of these **directions to leave** were issued to First Nations people?

2. How many **warnings to stay off** have been recorded between 1 May 2023 to 1 September 2023?
 - (a) Of these **warnings to stay off** how many were given by an occupier, how many by police, and how many by a security guard?
 - (b) Of these **warnings to stay off** how many applied to Crown Land?
 - (c) How many **warnings to stay off** have included a ban for 12 months?
 - (d) What percentage of the total number of **warnings to stay off** were issued to First Nations people?

ANSWER

Accurate data for the above questions cannot be provided by Police. This is not data that is specifically recorded through the systems and processes in place. The limitations are explained below:

- If a verbal or written warning/direction to leave was issued by the police there should be a record made on PROMIS. This would be important for any future breaches of a direction to leave, or a warning to stay off, as there must be evidence to show this occurred.

- Under the Trespass Act 1987 an authorised person includes any person that the lawful occupier has provided the authority to act for. This can be an employee or a person contracted to provide services, such as security. Any warnings or directions to leave issued by those persons will

not form part of police reporting; initially, there will not be a record of that data on PROMIS.

- This means that any data/reports retrieved from PROMIS relating to warnings issued, or direction to leave, will not be an accurate representation; they will only include actions undertaken by the police. The PROMIS system has not been designed for reporting of this type.