

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

### WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Attorney General and Minister for Justice:

#### NT Correctional Facilities

- 1. How many prisoners of NT Government Correctional facilities have escaped between September 2016 and 1 February 2018?**

There have been no escapes by prisoners from within secure custodial correctional facilities – Darwin Correctional Centre (DCC) or Alice Springs Correctional Centre (ASCC) during the relevant period.

There have been two escapes by prisoners whilst under escort from a custodial correctional facility.

- 2. How many of these incidents were reported to the Media? Please provide dates in which these incidents were reported to the media.**

Correctional Services did not report any escapes to the media as they notify NT Police. It is then a matter for the NT Police as to how the operation/investigation to recapture the escapee is progressed.

- 3. How many of these incidents were reported to the Police? Please provide dates in which these incidents were reported to the Police.**

Incidences are reported to NT Police as soon as NTCS became aware.

One incident was not reported to Police as correctional officers took the prisoner back into custody within a short distance of his escape.

- 4. How many “unfit to plead” clients are incarcerated in NT correctional facilities as of 1 February 2018?**

17 persons are in the custody of NT Correctional Services under the provisions of Part IIA of the Criminal Code.

Custodial Supervision Orders under Part IIA of the Criminal Code are applicable to offenders found unfit to plead and those found not guilty by reason of mental impairment.

- 5. How many “unfit to plead” prisoners have escaped from NT Correctional facilities between September 2016 and 1 February 2018?**

One.

- 6. How many of these incidents were reported to the Media? Please provide dates in which these incidents were reported to the media.**

This was not reported to media.

- 7. How many of these incidents were reported to the Police? Please provide dates in which these incidents were reported to the Police.**

The one matter was not referred to police given he was apprehended by NTCS staff immediately.

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