

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Ms Carney

to Minister for Justice and Attorney-General

Funding for Office of DPP

I would be grateful if you would provide the answers to the following questions in relation to the Justice Department's Budget for 2004-05. In order to assist you, please note that this question relates to output group: **1.0 Legal Services (1.4: Office of the DPP)**.

1. In 2003-04, the DPP's budget was \$6.166m. In the 2004-05 budget, it has increased to \$7.331m. Taking account of the blow out of \$1.073m, the real increase of funding is \$92,000, which is to be used for the appointment of a new prosecutor -
 - (a) Was more funding for 2004-05 requested from the Director of the DPP, and if so how much;
 - (b) If additional funding was requested, why was no further funding provided; and
 - (c) Do you consider that the level of funding for the DPP for 2004-05 is sufficient, especially in light of future costs associated with the Murdoch (Falconio) case.

ANSWER