

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

7th Assembly

15/04/1996

103. **Territorian Lottery Company**

Mr. BAILEY to MINISTER for RACING and GAMING

QUESTION

1. Does the agreement between the Northern Territory Government and the Territory Lottery Company to operate the Territorian Lottery include the right for the Company to use the names and addresses of ticket buyers for purposes other than those directly related to the operation of the Territorian Lottery.
2. At the time of transferring control of the Territorian Lottery to the Territory Lottery Company, was the Northern Territory Government aware that the Company intended to use the names and addresses of ticket buyers for purposes other than those directly related to the operation of the Territory Lottery.
3. If the answer to question 2 is no, is the Northern Territory Government now aware of the above situation.
4. Does the Northern Territory Government approve the use of ticket buyers' names and addresses for purposes other than those directly related to the operation of the Territorian Lottery by the Territory Lottery Company.
5. Has the Northern Territory Government taken any action in relation to preventing the Territory Lottery Company's use of ticket buyers' names and addresses for purposes other than those directly related to the operation of the Territory Lottery; if so:
 - (a) what means were taken; and
 - (b) when was this carried out.

ANSWER

Answered on 24/05/96

1. The Agreement relating to the control of the Territorian Lottery is with Morris International Pty Ltd and other principals. The Territory Lottery Company is the Territory based trading company of Morris International Pty Ltd.

The Agreement with Morris International Pty Ltd precludes disclosure of any customer information obtained by the Company in the course of, or in relation to or in connection with

the operation, including mailing and marketing lists and any other types of information prescribed by direction.

The Agreement does not prevent the disclosure by either party of information which a party is obliged by law to disclose.

2. The Government has no knowledge or evidence to support the contention that the Company deliberately intended to breach the terms of the Agreement referred to above.
3. The Government has confirmed that a mailing list was accidentally exchanged by Morris International Pty Ltd, contrary to the terms of the Agreement.
4. No.
5. Discussions with Morris International Pty Ltd and Territory Lottery Company have confirmed that a mailing list was exchanged in error by an employee of Morris International. Both companies have now provided written apologies for the mistake and undertakings that there will be no further release of information.