

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

## WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Elferink

to Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services

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### **Docker River police presence**

Recent events in Docker River have highlighted the need for an increased police presence in the area. As the decision to allow Western Australia to have the Police Centre –

What steps are you going to take to ensure that there is a sufficient police presence in Docker River?

### **ANSWER**

At a meeting on 12 November 2003 between Police and Kaltukatjara Council representatives, a commitment was made for the following to occur in the immediate future:

- A two-member patrol from Yulara (or Alice Springs if Yulara were unable to attend) would travel to the community every fortnight;
- On a monthly basis, the patrol would stay overnight at Kaltukatjara; and
- The policy of attending to urgent jobs at Kaltukatjara by Yulara police would continue.

In the longer term, a commitment was made to explore the recruitment and location of two Aboriginal Community Police Officers at Kaltukatjara.