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Dear Madam Speaker

Thank you for your letter of 10 May 2017, concerning Written Question No. 60.

As you note in your letter, the answer to Written Question No. 60 was provided after the expiration of the 30 day period, mentioned in Standing Order 114.

This question sought a response to 60 sub-questions covering a broad range of issues.

Due to the large volume of questions, their complexity and the need for extensive cross-agency collaboration, there was a delay in meeting the required 30 day deadline for a response.

I am pleased to advise that the commitment we gave to provide a detailed response to all questions by 9 June 2017 will be met.

I look forward to answering any further questions during the Estimates Committee Hearings process.

Yours sincerely

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Hon Gerry McCarthy MLA
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Dear Minister

During the Assembly meeting on Tuesday 9 May 2017, the Leader of the Opposition, Mr Gary Higgins MLA asked me to write to you pursuant to Standing Order 114 (2) seeking a reason for not receiving a reply to Written Question 60 within 30 days (copy of Draft Hansard transcript attached).

Standing Order 114, at clause 2 states:

- (1) *A Minister should respond to a Written Question within 30 days of receipt. If a Minister does not answer the question within 30 days the Member who asked the question may at the conclusion of Question Time ask the Speaker to write to the Minister seeking reasons for the delay.*

Therefore, as required by Standing Order, I am writing to you seeking a reason for not responding in time. Once I receive your response I will table it in the Assembly.

Yours sincerely

Hon Kezia Purick MLA
Speaker

10th May