**No. 271**

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Ms Fyles to the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services:

**Nightcliff Police Station**

1. When does the lease expire for the Police station at Phoenix Street, Nightcliff?

2. What is the cost of rent until the end of the lease?

3. Why has the Government broken its promise to keep the Nightcliff Police Station open 24/7?

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**ANSWER**

1. The lease for the Nightcliff Police Station expired on 31 May 2013.
2. The current rental cost is $196,820 per annum.
3. The closure of the Nightcliff Police Station has had no impact on service delivery and police response to incidents in and around Nightcliff. The police officers assigned to the Nightcliff Police Station were incorporated into a greater Casuarina Public Order Unit in late 2012, to allow for more dynamic and flexible rostering within the overall Division and operation throughout Nightcliff; as well as the other Northern Suburbs as operationally required.

This is a dedicated group of police officers who work in vehicles, on foot and on bicycles at times, providing a high visibility response and proactive policing to the Casuarina Division. They make a significant contribution to the maintenance of public order and the reduction of general crime within the Division.