



Speech By  
**Hon. Cameron Dick**


**MEMBER FOR WOODRIDGE**

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**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

**Member for Mudgeeraba**

 **Hon. CR DICK** (Woodridge—ALP) (Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services) (5.56 pm): I refer to the statement made by the member for Mudgeeraba in the House this morning in relation to a letter from me dated 15 October 2015. I confirm to the House, consistent with my statement to the House yesterday, that I approved visits for the member for Mudgeeraba in a letter signed by me on 15 October 2015. This letter was sent through the usual correspondence process from my office to the Department of Health for dispatch.

I am advised that, following discussions with the Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service, an officer of the Department of Health decided not to mail the letter. I was not advised by either the Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service or by the Department of Health of this decision. My office was first advised by the director-general that this letter was not sent this morning following the member for Mudgeeraba's statement to the House. My office asked that the director-general settle his advice and provide it to me in writing. I received the written advice from the director-general at 5.18 pm this evening.

I have come into the House at the first opportunity to address this after receiving this advice. I table a copy of the written advice provided to me by the director-general.

*Tabled paper:* Document, dated 12 November 2015, titled 'Ministerial Brief for Noting' regarding correspondence from Ms Ros Bates MP and department processing [\[1656\]](#).