

**Question on Notice  
No. 960  
Asked on 31 August 2004**

MS LEE LONG asked the Minister for Police and Corrective Services (MS SPENCE) –

With reference to events earlier this year, when police raided photography studios in Cairns and Brisbane, including Studio 10 in Alexandra Heads (Hills) where various items of equipment were seized, despite the business owners possession of receipts for those items and now, five months later, the equipment has been returned but in the meantime, the business has been forced to close down and lay off staff -

1. Why did her department act in the way it did?
2. How will she compensate the business owners and employees for the effect her department had on them?

ANSWER:

As this matter is currently before the courts, it would be inappropriate to provide an answer at this time.

