Question on Notice No. 925 Asked on 26 May 2006

MRS E CUNNINGHAM asked the Minister for Health (MR ROBERTSON)-

QUESTION:

With reference to the Gladstone Base Hospital—

- (1) Is there currently a Government Medical Officer based at the Gladstone Base Hospital?
- (2) Where are autopsies currently done?
- (3) What is the waiting time for the completion of autopsies?

ANSWER:

- (1) There are currently no Government Medical Officers employed at the Gladstone Hospital.
- (2) In the majority of cases autopsies are performed in Rockhampton.
- (3) Gladstone Hospital Morgue Records indicate a turnaround time of 24-48 hours from the time of release of the deceased from the Gladstone Base Hospital until their return.