Question on Notice No. 128 Asked on 20 February 2007

MS LEE LONG asked the Minister for Health (MR ROBERTSON)-

QUESTION:

What progress has been made on the purchase of new accommodation and upgrades on existing accommodation, for the use of staff, at both the Atherton and Mareeba hospitals?

ANSWER:

The Northern Area Health Service in consultation with District officers have agreed to provide six two bedroom self contained accommodation units at Mareeba Hospital and one three bedroom house at Atherton Hospital.

The accommodation units at Mareeba Hospital will be created by refurbishment of the existing staff quarters on the hospital site to provide the new facilities in a contemporary residential environment supporting varying staff needs at the hospital.

The three bedroom house at the Atherton Hospital will be new construction on the hospital site and is intended to provide additional flexibility to satisfy changing staff accommodation needs.

Both projects are programmed for completion by December 2007.