Question on Notice No. 449 Asked on 14 March 2007

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

QUESTION:

With reference to the Mareeba Hospital for the period 7 March 2007 to 11 March 2007—

- (1) What is the full name and qualification of each doctor employed during this period?
- (2) Did any of these doctors require supervision?
- (3) How many doctors were foreign trained?
- (4) What percentage of beds were unoccupied on each day (listed separately)?
- (5) Were instructions given to any staff during the above dates or at any other time during their employment, to turn people away from the hospital, for any reason?

ANSWER:

- (1) Doctors employed during the period in question were as follows:
 - one Medical Superintendent;
 - three Senior Medical Officers;
 - three Principal House Officers; and
 - one Visiting Medical Officer.

For reasons of privacy I do not propose to provide the personal details of the medical officers concerned.

- (2) Of the medical officers listed above, one requires supervision.
- (3) Four of the medical officers are foreign trained.
- (4) The percentage of beds unoccupied on the days in question were as follows:
 - 7 March 2007 22%;
 - 8 March 2007 34%;
 - 9 March 2007 36.6%;
 - 10 March 2007 46%; and
 - 11 March 2007 39%.
- (5) No.