Question on Notice No. 1912 Asked on 25 November 2009

MR JOHNSON asked the Minister for Police, Corrective Services and Emergency Services (MR ROBERTS) —

QUESTION:

With reference to prisoners sentenced for terms of imprisonment for drug related crimes—

- 1. How many are currently serving terms of imprisonment?
- 2. How many were released from prison in 2007-08 and 2008-09 (reported for each year)?
- 3. How many were released from prison in 2007-08 and 2008-09 without having completed an offender rehabilitation program (reported for each year)?

ANSWER:

1. As at 9 December 2009, there were 529 prisoners in custody who were serving a term of imprisonment for a drug offence*.

2.

Year	Total
2007/2008	158
2008/2009	81
(to 9 December 2009)	
Total	239

3.

Year	Total
2007/2008	7
2008/2009	3
(to 9 December 2009)	
Total	10

In 2007/2008, six prisoners declined to participate, and one prisoner withdrew from the program prior to completion. In 2008/2009, one prisoner declined to participate and two prisoners withdrew from the program prior to completion.

^{*} Data relates only to those offences which contain the word 'drug' in the offence title.