## **QUESTION ON NOTICE**

#### No. 729

# asked on Friday, 17 July 2015

**MS BATES** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE PROTECTION AND MINISTER FOR NATIONAL PARKS AND THE GREAT BARRIER REEF (HON DR S MILES)—

## **QUESTION:**

With reference to recent reports in the Gold Coast Bulletin that revealed two buyers lined up to purchase The Manor at Springbrook from the State had pulled out because the Labor Government took too long to make a decision on the property, will the Minister (a) confirm tenders for The Manor at Springbrook will be extended and/or reopened, and (b) guarantee The Manor will not be leased to the Australian Rainforest Conservation Society (ARCS) at peppercorn rent of \$1 a year, as has occurred in the past?

### **ANSWER:**

A call for Expressions of Interests was released publicly on 27 July 2015, seeking suitably qualified businesses or individuals to enter into a commercial agreement to manage the facility. This Expression of Interest process is open to the market and is overseen by an independent probity advisor.