Question on Notice No. 1705 Asked on 14 November 2018

MR T WATTS ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise how many times during 2017-18 the QPRIME database was accessed for unauthorised searches, including by Queensland Police Service officers?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that, as Ethical Standards Command is still investigating alleged incidents in 2017-18, QPS is unable to provide a final figure for this period.

However, QPS has advised that, to date, eight incidents have been finalised in 2017-18.

The QPS takes information privacy seriously. All staff are required to adhere to policy and procedures concerning the access to and use of this information. Where there is sufficient evidence to substantiate that a breach of privacy amounts to misconduct, the employee is subject to the police discipline system.

All staff are held to a high standard of accountability, to ensure information access and use is for official duties and functions only.