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eDOCS #	2817802	Surname on correspondence	Recommissioning of Barallon
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Signed by: Director-General	<i>RG</i>	6 / 3 / 15
ESB: Scan signed copy	<i>BS</i>	06 MAR 2015
ESB: Post and finalise	<i>BS</i>	06 MAR 2015
ESB: Close DCAR in eDOCS	<i>BS</i>	06 MAR, 2015

eDOCS #	2809252 - Letter 2809250 - Memo	Surname on correspondence	Old Health additional costs incurred as a result of Borallon Correctional Centre Recommissioning
	555157/3		

Question on Notice

No. 136

Asked on 6 May 2015

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QUESTION:

With reference to the Borallon Prison, will the Minister (a) proceed with the LNP's plan to re-commission the prison which will create over 200 jobs, (b) explain the benefits, including efficiencies to the Queensland Taxpayer of having Borallon Prison run privately, as was the case before Labor decommissioned it in early 2012 and (c) if the answer to either is no, advise of the governments' plan for Borallon?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

Between January 2012 and 2015, the number of prisoners in Queensland grew by over 29.1 percent despite no significant reduction in crime rates. All high security facilities are currently operating above their designated building capacity.

This increase in prisoner numbers has put significant pressure on existing correctional centres, including increased risk to staff, prisoners and the community.

Queensland Corrective Services (QCS) has been using double up placements to manage surges in prisoner numbers including using 'buddy cells' and temporary bunk beds, trundle beds and mattresses in secure cells or residential areas.

The Palaszczuk Government is working to alleviate prisoner capacity pressure in the short, medium and long term.

The operation and recommissioning of the Borallon Correctional Centre is currently under consideration by the Government.

As Minister, I am actively working with QCS division of the Department of Justice and Attorney-General on finding workable solutions to address prisoner numbers in Queensland.

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Required by Bills and Papers Office: 05 May 2015

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Due to Office of the Director-General: 19/05/2015

Noted by Director, ODG	Sign:	Date: / /
Approved by Director-General	Sign:	Date: / /

Due to Minister's Office: 21/05/2015

Approved by Policy Advisor	Sign:	Date: / /
Approved by Media Advisor	Sign:	Date: / /
Approved by Chief of Staff	Sign:	Date: / /
Approved by Attorney- General/Minister	Sign:	Date: / /

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The Palaszczuk Government is committed to alleviating prisoner capacity pressure in the short, medium and long term.

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As Minister, I am actively working with QCS division of the departmentDepartment of Justice and Attorney-General on finding workable solutions to address prisoner numbers in Queensland.

Certification of accuracy

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Performance
Director: Tom Humphreys
Contact Officer:
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Date Prepared: 15 May 2015

Certified as correct and accurate by:

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Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services and
Minister for Corrective Services

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Ref No: 567272/1, 03737-2015

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 8 April 2015, regarding overcrowding in Queensland's correctional centres.

I have been asked to respond to you on behalf of the Minister. I apologise for the delay in responding.

I acknowledge your concerns about the current level of prisoner numbers and your suggestion to utilise Borallon Correctional Centre to alleviate overcrowding and create employment opportunities.

I can confirm the Palaszczuk Government is exploring its options in relation to the use of Borallon Correctional Centre. Queensland Corrective Services will continue to assess all available options to ensure that the correctional system in Queensland is managed in the most effective way possible to keep Queenslanders safe and support rehabilitation outcomes for offenders.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Steve Davey
Acting Chief of Staff

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Submitted through:
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Date:

Mark Rallings
Deputy Director-General
3 June 2015

MINISTERIAL CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services and Minister for Corrective Services


The Honourable Jo-Ann Miller MP

QPS <input type="checkbox"/>	MIN REPLY <input type="checkbox"/>	COPY TO MINISTER <input type="checkbox"/>
QFES <input type="checkbox"/>	CHIEF OF STAFF REPLY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	COPY TO QPS COM <input type="checkbox"/>
QCS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PPA / SPA / PA REPLY <input type="checkbox"/>	COPY TO QFES COM <input type="checkbox"/>
PSBA <input type="checkbox"/>	ACKNO LETTER <input type="checkbox"/>	COPY TO QCS COM <input type="checkbox"/>
I-GEM <input type="checkbox"/>	REFERRAL LETTER <input type="checkbox"/>	COPY TO CEO PSBA <input type="checkbox"/>
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BD <input type="checkbox"/>	FILE AT DEPARTMENT <input type="checkbox"/>	
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KEY:
 QPS – Queensland Police Service
 QFES – Qld Fire & Emergency Services
 QCS – Qld Corrective Services
 QPS COM – Commissioner of Police
 QFES COM – Commissioner of QFES
 QCS COM – Commissioner of Corrective Services
 CEO PSBA – Chief Executive Officer, Public Safety Business Agency
 I-GEM – Inspector-General, Emergency Management
 COS – Chief of Staff
 PPA – Principal Policy Advisor
 SPA – Senior Policy Advisor
 PA – Policy Advisor
 PPQ – Possible Parliamentary Question

Admin Comments:

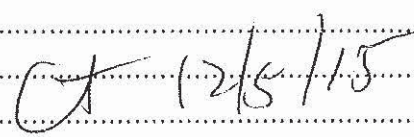
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Policy Advisor Signature:  **Date:** 11/5/15

COS Comments (Chief of Staff must sign the action requested above):

COS Signature: **Date:**

Department Comments:

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Office of the Premier

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11 MAY 2015

For reply please quote: *MC/ES – TF/15/7554 – DOC/15/67203*

8 MAY 2015

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 8 April 2015 regarding Queensland jails and the proposed reopening of the Borallon Correctional Centre. I have been asked to reply to you on behalf of the Premier.

The Premier appreciates your views in relation to this matter.

As the issue you have raised falls within the responsibility of the Honourable Jo-Ann Miller MP, Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services and Minister for Corrective Services, I have taken the liberty of forwarding your email to her office for consideration.

Again, thank you for taking the time to write to the Premier and bringing this matter to her attention.

Yours sincerely

**PETER NIBBS
DIRECTOR OF POLICY**

**B/C The Honourable the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services and
Minister for Corrective Services.**

**By direction. For your consideration please.
Copy of inwards correspondence is attached.**

ORIGINAL SIGNED

**PETER NIBBS
DIRECTOR OF POLICY**

The Premier

From: The Premier
Sent: Thursday, 9 April 2015 11:08 AM
To: Sch4/3/3
Subject: RE: Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland New submission from Contact

- 9 APR 2015	
Document No:	DOC/15/60297
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Thank you for your email to the Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland. The Premier appreciates the time you have taken to contact her with your comments. As the Premier receives a large amount of correspondence, a response will be provided, if appropriate, in due course.

Yours sincerely

Office of the Premier

From: Premier [mailto:premier@ministerial.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 8 April 2015 5:18 PM
To: The Premier
Subject: FW: Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland New submission from Contact

First name

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Who would you like to contact?

Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland

Subject

Borallon Correctional Centre

Message

When will an announcement be made in regards fixing the overcrowding in queensland Jails. Borallon has had so much money already spent on it and is still not open yet. Opening Borallon not only means moving men out of a jail (Gatton) that is not structured to house men, it was designed to house women. All jails are overcrowded in Queensland with so many prisoners sleeping on the floor of overcrowded units. Not only is this a safety risk to these prisoners it is also a safety risk to the Correctional Officers who work hard to ensure the safety and security of the community. Reopening Borrallon also means jobs for many people. Please make a decision soon.

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DLO: Track on OAG spreadsheet		1 1
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Signed by: Attorney-General		1 1
DLO: Updated spreadsheet & track to ESB	<i>U</i>	24 MAY 2015
ESB: Scan signed copy	<i>U</i>	27 MAY 2015
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