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603 POLICE (SAPOL) STAFF NUMBERS - FOR DISCUSSION

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Re: POLICE (SAPOL) STAFF NUMBERS - FOR DISCUSSION

At the two previous Joint Party Room meetings where policy papers were presented I outlined the position that Government should look to train 1000 - 1200 police over the next four years. At current attrition rates this would mean funding an extra 400- 500 sworn officers over a four year period. I also indicated specific initiatives that should be examined that would make up some of the extra numbers required.

This note is provided for discussion and gives an update on the status of Police numbers, both sworn and unsworn, as well as detailing suggested increases in police numbers and the estimated cost for the next financial year.

CURRENT STATUS OF SAPOL NUMBERS

The total number of sworn officers within SAPOL stands at 3,615 which is 1.2% less, or 44 officers less than the total strength in 1993.

The total number of sworn and unsworn officers has increased by 169 FTE from 4,390 to 4,559 which equates to an increase of 3.85% since 1993

By July 2002 the number of sworn officers within SAPOL will reach 3,749, the highest level for 10 years - with 2.5% more (or 90) sworn officers than the total strength in 1993.

By July 2002 total number of sworn and unsworn officers will have reached 4,666 an increase of 276 FTE or 6.28% since 1993.

Estimated figures for the financial year ending 30/6/02 (Table 1) includes the additional 113 (recruited in 2000-2001) and the additional 90 police staff allocated within the 2001-2002 budget. Details of staff movements since 1993 are detailed within Table 2.

NEW INITIATIVES

Notwithstanding the fact that by July 2002 the number of sworn officers will be 2.5% above what the Government inherited in 1993 I am of the view that Government will be placed in a vulnerable position if further increases are not announced for the next year.

In this context I am indicating to Cabinet that a minimum of an extra 87 officers should be funded in the next financial year for the following purposes:

- The establishment of a Strike Force of 20 officers to investigate interstate and intrastate drug trafficking particularly focussing on organised drug syndicates (current bilateral bid with a cost of \$1.9M ongoing)

- An increase of 23 police for general policing in regional SA in keeping with the strategy outlined in the election policy paper to ensure that in any extra police numbers, regional communities received their per capita share.

A breakdown by area is outlined and has been signed off by the Commissioner of Police: (est cost \$2.3 M ongoing)

Maria	4
Port Augusta	6
Cooper Pedy	1
Whyalla	1
Mt Barker	4
Mannum	1
Mt Gambier	2
Naracoorte	1

- Pilot Police in Schools program be expanded to allow the placement of an officer in 20 schools across SA. (est cost \$1.8M ongoing)
- Establish a 5 man DNA unit (3 police, 2 civilians) to assist in clearing unsolved crime and provide increased support for the soon to be introduced DNA legislation. (est cost \$500,000 ongoing)
- An increase of 20 officers to expand mounted police for general street patrols and to enhance police visibility within the Adelaide CBD and at major events and to establish a police sniffer dog and officer in the metropolitan LSA's. (est cost \$2.0M ongoing)



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SAPOL STAFF NUMBER (FTE'S)
Movements from 1993/94 to 2001/2002
as at 30 April 2001

YEAR ENDING	Police		Non Police		Total		Cadets Strength	Total Strength
	Estab	Strength	Funded Estab	Strength	Funded Estab	Strength		
30/06/1993	3,640	3,659	646	645	4,286	4,304	86	4390
30/06/1994	3,647	3,653	695	690	4,342	4,343	95	4438
30/06/1995	3,640	3,603	685	672	4,325	4,275	43	4318
30/06/1996	3,502	3,484	646	668	4,148	4,152	26	4178
30/06/1997	3,410	3,413	695	683	4,105	4,097	50	4147
30/06/1998	3,510	3,472	716	715	4,226	4,187	57	4244
30/06/1999	3,456	3,476	741	749	4,197	4,225	68	4293
30/06/2000	3,525	3,512	772	792	4,297	4,304	130	4434
30/06/2001	3,608	3,615	805	808	4,413	4,423	136	4559
30/06/2002	3,749	3,749	830	830	4,579	4,579	87	4666
Difference 1993 to 2002	109	90	184	185	293	275		

FOOTNOTE:

- Police Numbers includes Commissioner, Active Police, Police Aides and Police Band.
- Consistent with staff numbers reported to Commissioner for Public Employment, figures for 30 June are deemed to be the last pay date for June.
- Non Police Numbers includes Trainees and Graduates

SAPOL STAFF NUMBER (FTEs)

as at 30 April 2001

(1) VARIATIONS TO ESTABLISHMENT BETWEEN 1993 TO 2002

	Police	Non Police	Total
Civilianisation	(133)	133	-
SES		(21)	(21)
Budget Containment/ Enterprise Bargaining	(142)	(135)	(277)
DPP Committal Unit	(3)		(3)
Fines Enforcement	(1)	(3)	(4)
Coroners (Ambulance Service)	(2)		(2)
Coroners (Administration)	(2)	(1)	(3)
Prisoner Transport	(20)		(20)
NCA	(3)		(3)
GME Act Restructuring		(5)	(5)
Information Release/ Aircraft Services	(3)		(3)
Fraud investigator		(1)	(1)
Other	(3)		(3)
Transit Police	72	2	74
PSSB		73	73
Juvenile Justice	7		7
Police Award Restructuring		19	19
ABCI Secondments etc	1		1
Confiscation of Profit	4		4
Other		2	2
JIS Programmers		2	2
Laser Guns		1	1
Additional operational staff	100	25	125
Speed Cameras		13	13
PSSB Expansion		9	9
Youth Development		2	2
ENB Processing		3	3
Equity & Diversity Unit	1	2	3
Firearms Acr Administration	2	7	9
Premiers Task Force	113	27	140
Drug Diversionary Strategy	14	1	15
East Timor Secondments	5		5
Operation Chart	12	1	13
Handy Person Function		(14)	(14)
Occupational Health		6	6
Aboriginal training		2	2
Olympics		1	1
Capital building projects		1	1
Red light Cameras		4	4
IST		3	3
Illicit Drugs	36		36
Operational Police	54		54
Call Centre		25	25
Total Changes (1993 to 2002)	109	184	293

(1) Includes Commissioner, Active Police, Police Aides and Police Band.

(2) In accordance with government instructions and to be consistent with staff number reported to Commissioner for Public Employment figures for 30 June are deemed to be the last pay date for June.