**Answers from Defence Housing Australia**

**Question 1**

Proof Hansard, 04Jun09, p. 72

**Question asked by Senator Ferguson**:

I understand that those 307 houses were to be built at a cost, I think, of $48.6 million? Does that sound right?

**Answer**

In DHA's submission to the Public Works Committee for the Lyons development, DHA advised at Paragraph 2.3, that its strategic provisioning plan included the construction of at least 300 Defence residences with delivery over five years from the beginning of December 2005.

**Question 2**

Proof Hansard, 04Jun09, p. 73

**Question asked by Senator Ferguson**:

You are now going to have a far higher density of Defence housing in Lyons than what I think has been the publicly stated policy of 30 per cent. This is nearly 60 per cent.

**Answer**

DHA is going to build houses in other parts of Darwin also. We will still try to maintain no greater than 50 per cent Defence housing in the Lyons development.

DHA plans to construct on a total of 315 lots in the Lyons development (185 as part of the Nation Building–Economic Stimulus Plan and the remainder as part of DHA’s normal program) out of a total 690 dwellings for Lyons.

In addition to the 802 houses under the Nation Building–Economic Stimulus Plan, DHA plans to construct a total of 1032 residences nationally over the 2009-2010 to 2010-2011 Financial Years.

**Question 3**

Proof Hansard, 04Jun09, p. 73

**Question asked by Senator Ferguson**:

How many of the 307 houses in Lyons have already been built?

**Answer**

DHA has, to date, built approximately 120 dwellings at Lyons.