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The Honourable Peter Beattie MP  
Premier and Minister for Trade  
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Dear Peter

I am writing to provide my response to petition number 729-06 which was lodged by you and received by the Legislative Assembly on 31 October 2006.

The petition sought the termination of Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley's employment with the Queensland Police Service and the preferment of criminal charges in relation to the death in police custody of 'Mulrunji' Doomadgee at Palm Island in November 2004.

As you would appreciate, legal proceedings concerning Mulrunji's death are now underway and it would be inappropriate for me to comment on any issue associated with those proceedings.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Signed - J Spence

**Judy Spence MP**  
Minister for Police and Corrective Services