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TRANSCRIPTION OF TELEPHONE CALL MADE BY  
ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL

To Mr Peter Coyne,  
Manager,  
John Oxley Youth Centre.

Time: 4.15 p.m.

"In response to your phone call this afternoon to Trevor Walsh, I just want to make a couple of things clear to you. The first is that, as the Acting Director-General of this Department, I have got a number of responsibilities and I am sure you appreciate that. One of the privileges I guess I have in this position is that I do determine my own appointments and with whom I meet with. Of course, there are times when I will need to be available to speak with staff and when staff will need to be available to speak with me, right? So, I, in this position, it's one of the things that goes with it. — I get to set the time that/when I do certain things.

Your demand this afternoon I do <sup>assumption</sup> find a little bit difficult in that I think you have made some summations about what I might or might not be doing and I interpret it as giving me no credit at all for the fact that I might have a few clues about how to manage situations.

I guess that the aspect of it that I find difficult was - that's just what I want to convey to you and I just want it to be crystal clear to you - that I will be determining when I see staff, which staff I see and, unfortunately, whether staff of the Department like it or not, there are going to be times when people have to be available when I want to speak to them, even though it may not be personally convenient to them. Right. Bye-bye."

(Transcribed by Wendy Jones, Executive Secretary).

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