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 FROM: NH1
 RE: DISCIPLINE - DRIPSTONE HIGH SCHOOL - MR G KNIGHT

Briefing notes re Mr Greg Knight, Dripstone High School.

26 October 1993

- 8:00am Parent advised Principal - Vicki Stokes - of concerns re events during sleep over on 14 October 1993 involving teacher Mr Greg Knight and 3 students.
- 8:30am Accusation confirmed by other students. Acting Superintendent - John Dove - advised by Principal. Written statements from students to be taken by experienced staff. Deputy Secretary Schools Policy and Operations North - David Cairns - advised.
- 9:15am John Dove arrived at Dripstone High School. Four students had been identified. Parents were being contacted. Counselling support requested via SEO Behaviour Management Services - Sandy Healey, Operations North.
- 10.10am Greg Knight interviewed by John Dove in presence of Vicki Stokes and Brian Chase. Shown copies of student statements, accepted the basic accuracy.

Greg Knight completed a resignation form but advised it may not be accepted. (Advised to gather belongings and leave school as soon as possible).
- 10.40am Dripstone High School constable on Maternity Leave. Constable Peter Styles to attend from Nightcliff High School. Arrived 11.30am and began interviewing students and parents.
- 11.15am Meeting 5th floor Wpac building. David Cairns, John Burchett, Chris Makepeace, Shirley Biorci, Val Martins, John Dove.

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Student statements reviewed, determined to press for dismissal rather than accept resignation.

- 12noon Vicki Stokes briefed staff.
- 3:00pm Greg Knight advised of dismissal.

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- 8:00am Vicki Stokes again briefed staff following newspaper headline.
House assemblies with students to advise of available support.
- 8:30am Two counsellors from Behaviour Management Services available.
- 10:00am Berrimah Police contacted and asked to provide a school based constable at Dripstone High School.
Two additional counsellors sent to Dripstone to help relieve pressure.
- Behaviour Management Services will continue to monitor counselling needs.
- Temporary staffing arrangements are being put in place pending identification of a suitable and permanent replacement for Mr Knight.

JOHN DOVE

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