

I have come to understand that the Department of Social Services have added my name to a list of people they believe they have consulted with regard to the dismantling of the ACNC. I want to confirm that I have in no way been consulted by the Department with respect to this or any other issue.

I was present at a discussion hosted by the University of Melbourne Not-for-profit Project but that was certainly not a consultation held by the Department and our opinion was not sought. In fact, we were categorically told that our opinion would not change the government's position with regard to the dismantling of the ACNC, the establishment of any replacement organisation and our ideas were not at all considered.

As such, I would like to have my name removed from any evidence forwarded to the Committee with respect to the above and for the Committee to be made aware that I was not consulted on this issue.

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