Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Inquiry into foreign investment proposals

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Division: Foreign Investment Division

Topic: Dr Henry Cheng

Reference: Spoken

Question:

ACTING CHAIR: Dr Henry Cheng is a shareholder and director of the Chow Tai Fook family entity. Did Dr Henry Cheng's membership of the 12th Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference—the CPPCC—of the People's Republic of China factor into Treasury's analysis of sale with regard to character?

Mr Brake: I think we'd have to take that on notice.

ACTING CHAIR: Was Dr Henry Cheng's membership of the CPPCC included in a briefing to the then Treasurer, Mr Scott Morrison, with respect to the sale of Alinta?

Ms Kelley: We would have to take that on notice.

ACTING CHAIR: Was Dr Henry Cheng's membership of the CPPCC included in a briefing to the then Minister for the Environment and Energy, now the Treasurer, Mr Josh Frydenberg, with respect to the sale of Alinta?

Ms Kelley: Again, we'll have to take that on notice.

Answer:

These questions will answered as part of Treasury's response to the more detailed questions on this issue that Senator O'Neill has requested by 4 June 2020.