

Dear Secretariat

Please find below the answers to questions put to Penny Wilson about the RGAC submission, requested at the Committee hearing on the 11th of August

- With regard to section 6.5.1 of our submission: we were asked about the data source of the 70% surge in people with sports betting related problems in the last three years.
 - The figure was released by Gambling Treatment Clinic at the University of Sydney and is based on the internal records of their gambling clinics, as stated in the RGAC submission
 - The figure does not appear in a published study but was released to the media earlier this year as a fact of interest
 - The figure has also been confirmed directly to RGAC by Dr Christopher Hunt at the Gambling Treatment Clinic.

- We were also asked a question regarding 6.5.2 and 6.5.3 of our submission, namely more details of the Australian gambling survey
 - The figures we refer to in our submission come from Preliminary results of the survey, provided in a powerpoint presentation by Dr Sally Gainsbury, Centre for Gambling Education and Research, Southern Cross University. This presentation occurred at the Responsible Gambling Awareness Week forum at the MCG, Victoria, 23 May 2011 A copy is online at <http://austgamingcouncil.org.au/images/pdf/Presentations/gainsbury%20-%20online%20sports%20betting%20-%20vic%20rgaw%20forum%202011.pdf>
 - The actual survey was a solicited online survey, voluntary participation, conducted 2010-2011, of those 18 years and over
 - There were 14 questions on gambling habits, 10 to elicit the profile of the respondent
 - The number of participants 1,049.