

Joint Committee on Human Rights

Public Hearing – 5 July 2024

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

**Topic:** Income management

**Question reference number:** IQ24-000106

**Question asked by:** Lidia Thorpe

**Type of Question:** Written.      **Hansard Page/s:** N/A

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**Question:**

10. There has been criticism that the system of compulsory income management is a racist form of economic apartheid imposed by this colony on mostly First Nations people. In that context has there been any investigation into the research ethics of BioCatch, or whether the intelligence gathered by Israeli personnel was in the process of enforcing apartheid and/or genocide against Palestinian people?

**Answer:**

Please refer to the response provided to SQ24-000647.