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Topic: Re-appointment of Professor Julianne Schultz

Senator Bilyk, Catryna asked:

1. Has any previous Chair of the School Council accepted a second term for less than a three year appointment.
2. What were the reasons why the current Chair was not offered a three year term in a manner similar to her predecessors over the 45 years of AFTRS existence.
3. Is it proposed to make appointments to the other current vacancies on the School Council for similar twelve month terms.

Answer:

1. No.
2. The terms of board appointments are a matter for Government.
3. Under the *Australian Film, Television and Radio School Act 1973* members appointed by the Governor-General must not exceed three years. Appointment durations will be made in response to the particular governance requirements of AFTRS and its environment.