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Senator: Wong, Penny

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Question:

Senator WONG: Did Ms Briggs examine text messages exchanged between Mr Briggs's chief of staff and the consular official or the DFAT official?

Ms E Kelly: I will need to check that. I am not aware of any specifics. Not that I provided to her.

Answer:

Ms Briggs' report was prepared for and submitted to the Governance Committee of Cabinet. A disclosure of the what was considered or not considered by Ms Briggs would disclose matters going to the deliberations of the Governance Committee.