

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Senator: Conroy

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Question:

Senator CONROY: In Mr Costello's capacity as executive general manager at ASC, did he have access to information that could be considered sensitive in either a commercial or a national security sense?

Mr Whiley: I am unsure what information—

Senator Cormann: We will take that question on notice.

Senator CONROY: You must know what information—he is head of strategy—

Senator Cormann: We have taken the question on notice.

Senator CONROY: What information is an executive manager at ASC privy to?

Senator Cormann: That is a different way of asking the same question, and I have already taken that question on notice.

Senator CONROY: Would an executive general manager be privy to information concerning ASC's intellectual property—commercially sensitive information, confidential or operational information, information relating to its internal governance structures and decision making processes?

Senator Cormann: That is another way of asking the same question, and I have already taken that question on notice.

Answer:

Mr Costello did have access to such information. Established rules and systems for managing the use of this information were in place.