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**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** McAllister

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**Question:**

**Senator McALLISTER:** Have you undertaken any examination of the LNP's disclosures to establish that, or how have you arrived that view?

**Mr Rogers:** I might just jump in. The news only emerged this week. I think you are referring to the media articles on Monday or Tuesday of this week, I think, from memory. We are aware of it. We did do a quick check to ensure, as Mr Pirani said, that there was no obligation. As to whether we have done any additional work this week, the answer is probably no, I suspect. But we are aware of it and we are looking at it. Unless Mr Pirani has other information that I am not privy to—

**Mr Pirani:** The only thing I was looking at was whether we might have done a compliance review of the LNP, but it depends on the particular dates on which those payments are made. I recall that the article in The Australian mentioned payments, donations, in the period leading up to the 2013 election, but I am not clear—and I would have to take on notice—whether any compliance review has been done of the LNP in that particular financial year.

**Answer:**

The AEC undertook a compliance review of LNP Queensland's annual disclosure return for 2010-11. The Party lodged an amended return as a result of that review. Receipts and payments associated with the Fadden Forum were incorporated in the Party's return.