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**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Senator Carr asked on 18 February 2004, EWRE Hansard page 101.

Question:

Senator Carr: Would you be prepared to provide copies of correspondence and other records of discussions between CSIRO and Stora Enso about the possibility of collaborative research based on the genetic material imported by Dr MacRae?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

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Correspondence and discussions between CSIRO and Stora Enso are client privileged involving commercial sensitivities. CSIRO believes that should this information be made public, it would jeopardise its standing within the research community, diminishing the options for future collaboration. Had collaboration between Stora Enso and CSIRO eventuated, the imported material was only ever intended as a reference collection (see also answer to Question E779_04).