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**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome: CSIRO
Output Group: CSIRO

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Senator Carr asked on 4 June 2003.

Question:

CSIRO Director Communications

- (a) When did the former Director of Communications, Ms Di Jay, leave CSIRO?
- (b) Under what circumstances did Ms Jay leave?
- (c) Why has it taken until June to advertise a position vacated in January?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

CSIRO Director Communications

- (a) Ms Di Jay left CSIRO in February 2003.
- (b) Ms Jay left to take up a post as CEO of an industry association.
- (c) When Ms Jay resigned, acting arrangements were put in place, with Dr Ron Sandland, Deputy Chief Executive, responsible for this general area. During the period to May, the opportunity was taken to consider possible alternative structures. However, the decision was taken in May to advertise the position of Director Communication and that recruitment process is currently proceeding.