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Senator RONALDSON-Did the department have any conversations with any external agencies or individuals in relation to the appointment of Mr Mulgan? Did you receive, or did the department receive, any phone calls from any other people suggesting that he would be appropriate for employment by the department, particularly anyone involved with any universities in Australia?

Mr Mrdak-Not me personally. I am happy to check that.

Answer: No officer involved in contracting Dr Geoffrey Mulgan had discussions regarding the contract with any parties outside the Department, with the exception of Dr Mulgan himself.