

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

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Topic: Appointment of Mr Gonski

Senator: Cormann

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Question:

Senator CORMANN: My question, very specifically, is: did you speak to one person, or did you speak to more than one person, as you were assessing who the best person would be to fill that role?

Senator Wong: Candidate or people to advise?

Senator CORMANN: Candidates.

Senator Wong: I will have to take that on notice.

Answer:

The Minister has indicated that she spoke with Mr David Gonski AC to determine his interest and availability for the position of Chair. It would not be appropriate for the Minister to disclose whether she had any discussions with anyone other than the person subsequently appointed.