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Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

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Senator: Ronaldson

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Question:

I am otherwise referring to the press reports in relation to this matter. Has there been anything in those press reports which repeat information that is on the public record, such as Department of Finance and Deregulation reports, that you have any issue with? Has there been any misreporting of publicly available information which you are aware of, or has that been accurately reported?

Answer:

For media reports that it has reviewed, the Department does not have any concerns with, and is not aware of, any misreporting of publicly available information. However a comprehensive review of all media reporting on this matter has not been undertaken due to the extensive reporting across a broad range of media outlets. To provide the level of detail sought would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.