

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

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**Question: PM53(a-d)**

**Topic: Change to website**

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**Senator Ronaldson asked: Minister ... Can you advise this committee, first, [a] whether Minister Burke approached Ms Lei and asked her to change this website? [b] Will you then come back to this committee and advise this committee whether anyone in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet spoke to Ms Lei and asked her to remove that name from the website? [c] Will you take it on notice and come back to this committee and advise whether anyone authorised by Mr Burke or on Mr Burke's behalf ask Ms Lei to remove that from the website? [d] Will you also come back to this committee and advise whether anyone associated with the Australian Labor Party asked Ms Lei to remove Mr Burke being an honorary counsel from the website?**

**Answer:**

I am advised that the answers to parts [a], [b] and [c] of the Senator's question are no. In response to part [d] I am not in a position to answer that question.