

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Question No. 86

Senator Bernardi asked the following question at the hearing on 23 February 2009:

The draft Standards have been referred to the House Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee. The Committee's media alert of 12 December 2008 states that "public hearings for the inquiry are likely to be conducted in March 2009."

- a) are these public hearings still going ahead,
- b) if so, what are the dates of these hearings, and
- c) has a reporting date been finalised for the Inquiry yet?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (a) Yes.
- (b) The dates for public hearings on the Committee's inquiry are listed on the Committee's website as follows:

Canberra: 26 February 2009

12 March 2009

19 March 2009

Sydney 25 March 2009

Melbourne 30 March 2009

Brisbane 3 April 2009

- (c) The Department is not aware if the Committee has set a reporting date. A reporting date is a matter for the Committee to determine.