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Subject: Re: Inquiry into the Human Services (Enhanced Service Delivery) Bill 2007

Dear Alistair

I was asked a question on notice by Natasha Stott Despoja this morning at the hearing into the Human Services (Enhanced Service Delivery) Bill 2007.

She asked: "If data matching, do you think this should be subject to legislation like the case with the tax file"?

Our response is: "Absolutely. We are strongly supportive of data matching being subject to legislation, rather than a less stringent form of regulation, such as guidelines, for example."

Kind regards Carol