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Question

Advice to Deputy Secretary from Departmental officer

Senator LINES: And then that officer—how long was there between the phone call happening and you being informed, Ms Parker?

Ms Parker: I am not sure exactly, but fairly soon after. I get regular updates on industrial disputes from officers. This was one of them. They normally advise on the same day, for example. I think I got the information that afternoon.

Senator LINES: Do you know when the call came in?

Ms Leon: Mid-morning.

Ms Parker: In the afternoon—

Senator LINES: Ms Leon said mid-morning—

Ms Leon: No, the call to Ms Parker was in the afternoon and the call to the officer was mid-morning, I am told.

Senator LINES: Mid-morning. Then was it mid-afternoon when you were told, Ms Parker?

Ms Parker: I think so—I can check. It was around then; I am not even quite sure that I would be able to check that.

Answer

On the morning of 12 January 2016 ASP Ship Management Pty Ltd contacted the officer of the Department of Employment.

The same officer who spoke with ASP Ship Management Pty Ltd informed Ms Parker at around midday on 12 January 2016.