

# **Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade**

Operations of Defence Housing Australia – 23 March 2016

## **ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Department of Defence

**Topic:** Secretary's awareness of Australian Federal Police probe

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**Senator:** Dastyari

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### **Question:**

**CHAIR:** And the only way you would have been aware of it would be through your board member?

**Mr Grzeskowiak:** I have no knowledge of whether the board of DHA knew that the managing director was going to resign. I do not know.

**Senator DASTYARI:** To broaden that question, and you may have to take this on notice, you are not aware whether or not the Secretary of the Department of Defence was aware of an AFP probe—or investigation or inquiry or however you want to characterise it—into the conduct relating to the former managing director, and into Defence Housing Australia? It may be that you are not aware; I am asking whether the secretary of Defence was aware.

**Mr Grzeskowiak:** I can take that question on notice.

### **Answer:**

No, the Secretary was not aware.