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Topic: Letter from Dept of Communications and the Arts

Senator O'Neill, Deborah asked:

Senator O'NEILL: Sorry, Ms Keisler, before you go on, could I take you back to those two elements: conflict with your legal obligation, or ... ?

Ms Keisler: Compelling organisational requirements. This is the advice that is to be passed to the chair. It is my understanding of the conventions that the chair must weigh up the advice that is provided to him by the department and the PM&C against his other corporate obligations as a chairman of the board. My duty was to advise him on what I had been given from the department—

Senator O'NEILL: Which was what, Ms Keisler?

Ms Keisler: It was the letter. I do not have it in front of me, but the letter—

Senator O'NEILL: Could I ask you to provide that?

Ms Keisler: I believe the department took it on notice this morning to provide it, so you will have it. If I can help, I will.

Senator O'NEILL: If you can send that, it would be very helpful. If there is somebody who could flick it to us, it would be—

Answer:

Please refer to Question 2.