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**Senator:** Dastyari, Sam

**Question:**

Senator DASTYARI: On that specifically, it sounds like internally—and I think this is a really positive development, by the way—that this was an issue where there was some preliminary 'looking at'. I think that is the term, because I do not want to over-emphasise it, did that result in a briefing being provided to the Treasurer or the government, or did it not quite reach that level?

Ms Quinn: We did provide a briefing to the Treasurer.

Senator DASTYARI: Do you know what date you provided the briefings?

Ms Quinn: On the 25th of March.

Senator DASTYARI: Senator Ryan, on behalf of the minister, are you able to take on notice whether or not the government would make that briefing public? Obviously, it is a matter for government.

Senator Ryan: I gather that they are internal working papers. That would be a description—the papers we were discussing earlier.

Ms Quinn: We did provide a briefing to the Treasurer.

Senator Ryan: I will take that on notice on behalf of Senator Cormann.

**Answer:**

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