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Senator: Wong, Penny

Question:

Senator WONG: At any point were you aware, directly or because Mr Sterland or someone else told you, of either Mr Delia's or Mr Dansereau's names being suggested by the Treasurer's office?

Ms Balzary: I certainly had conversations with the Treasurer's office about both chefs.

Senator WONG: Who in the Treasurer's office?

Ms Balzary: The Treasurer's staff and the Treasurer himself.

Senator WONG: The Treasurer himself?

Ms Balzary: Correct.

Senator WONG: Did he have a view about which of the chefs he liked?

Ms Balzary: Well, both were recommended by me, so he agreed with the recommendation on the basis of the recommendation we provided.

Senator WONG: Before you recommended them, did you have a discussion with the Treasurer about either of these names?

Ms Balzary: I do not recall.

Senator WONG: Sure. Perhaps you can take that on notice?

Ms Balzary: Certainly.

Answer:

No change to above