SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO

Program: 1.9

Question No. SBE15/024

Senator Collins asked the following question at the hearing on 20 October 2015:

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Then they can go. Okay. Fine. I have finished with the task force, so I do not think anything else that I cover there relates to you. I am interested in how many people are employed in the media and communications area for the trade union royal commission.

Ms Innes-Brown: We have one director— Senator JACINTA COLLINS: In the task force? Ms Innes-Brown: No—

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: In the commission as a whole?

Ms Innes-Brown: in the whole commission.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: I am sorry. You are CEO for the commission as a whole? Ms Innes-Brown: Yes.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Fine. Sorry, I thought that you were forward representing the task force. So it was one?

Ms Innes-Brown: That is correct—a director of media and communications.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: At what Public Service classification are they employed? Ms Innes-Brown: EL2.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Do you have an organisational chart for the trade union royal commission?

Ms Innes-Brown: I would have to take that on notice. We do have one. Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Could you provide that to us, please? Ms Innes-Brown: Yes.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: What is the total annual cost of the salaries for this area of the trade union royal commission? That is the media area that I am asking about.

Ms Innes-Brown: It would be the salary of the one person at an EL2 level.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Okay. Does the royal commission have a media-handling procedure manual or internal guidelines?

Ms Innes-Brown: Yes, they do.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Could you provide those to the committee, please? Ms Innes-Brown: Yes.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The organisational chart and media guidelines are at Attachment A.