

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

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Question No. SBE15/073

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

1. Has the Director of Media and Communications or any other official of the Trade Union Royal Commission distributed exhibits or other evidence to members of the media before this has been shown to witnesses?

If so-

- a. On what occasions did this occur?
- b. Is it the standard practice of the Trade Union Royal Commission to distribute evidence to the media before it is seen by witnesses?
- c. Who authorised this practice?
- d. Has the Attorney-General or his office been briefed on this practice?

If so-

- i. On what date(s) did this occur?
- ii. Can a copy of written briefs please be provided?

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

No.