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Senator: Dastyari

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Question:

Senator DASTYARI: and you were told to run through a tender process. It strikes me as completely predetermined. It was not a tender. You may call it whatever you want, but it was a predetermined outcome that these were the people who were getting hired. In the process of you doing the contract with them, did they have to sign forms as to their conflicts of interest?

Mr Tune: They did.

Senator Cormann: Yes.

Senator DASTYARI: Are they available? I genuinely do not know what precedent there is for this.

Mr Tune: I am told they have been provided.

Senator DASTYARI: No, they have not.

Ms Connell: Were they not attached to a question on notice?

Senator DASTYARI: No, they have not been. Can I get a copy of them?

Mr Tune: We will take that on notice again.

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Senator DASTYARI: In the meantime, Mr Tune, it would be fantastic if you were able to get a copy of those contracts.

Answer:

A copy of the *Deed Poll of Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest* form was attached to the response to question F7, taken at the Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings on 19 November 2013.

Refer to Question F25.