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Hon Nick Goiran; Hon Matthew Swinbourn

ATTORNEY GENERAL — HEADS OF JURISDICTION — COMMUNICATION

845. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the parliamentary secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the Attorney General's response dated 17 August 2022 to recommendation 2 by the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations in its eighty-sixth report tabled on 14 June 2022.

- On what date did the Attorney General advise the heads of jurisdiction of the Guidelines for communications (1) and relationships between the judicial branch of government and the legislative and executive adopted by the Council of Chief Justices of Australia and New Zealand on 23 April 2014?
- (2) Have any responses been received?
- (3) Will you table the letters from the Attorney General and any responses?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following information has been provided to me by the Attorney General.

- The Attorney General wrote to the heads of jurisdiction on 5 September 2022 drawing their attention to (1) finding 1 and recommendation 2 of the eighty-sixth report of the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations consideration of the 2020–21 annual reports.
- These communications between the Attorney General and the heads of jurisdiction are confidential and (2) subject to public interest immunity.