

MINISTRY OF JUSTICE, DIRECTOR GENERAL'S INVOLVEMENT IN STAFF SELECTION

544. Mr RIEBELING to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Justice:

- (1) I refer to the answer to question on notice No. 2327 of 2000 and ask, was the person who made the late application encouraged to apply for the position by the Director-General of the Ministry of Justice?
- (2) Did the Director-General have any discussions with the person about that person applying for the position prior to or immediately after the closing date of applications for that position?
- (3) What was the nature of that discussion?
- (4) Did the Director-General give any encouragement to the person after the applications for the position had closed?
- (5) To what extent did the Director-General's involvement prejudice the selection arrangements or place the selection panel in an untenable position?
- (6) Have there been any other instances of the Director-General becoming involved in the selection process other than through the formal processes?

Mr BARRON-SULLIVAN replied:

The Minister for Justice has provided the following reply:

- (1)-(2) No.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) No.
- (5) Not applicable.
- (6) No.