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QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE (Of which some notice has been given)

Tuesday, 9 October 2012

Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs.

I refer to the Minister's 11 September 2012 answer to QON No 5942, QWON's asked on 26 and 27 September 2012 and QWON asked to the Minister for Mines in respect of a File Note on James Price Point dated 12/01/2009, located at <http://www.robinchapple.com/gdata> "2009-01-12 DIA File Note to DSD", and ask:

1. Who was the "brief that was sent some time ago" originally sent to as identified in the email dated Friday, 17 June 2011 10:14 AM from Rebecca Bairnsfather-Scott to Julieta Abella?
2. Which officers from DIA have had informal meetings or communications with which officers from DSD and on what dates?
3. Was the 2009-01-12 DIA File Note to DSD handed to DSD informally?
4. If yes to 3.) to which officer from DIA passed this document to which officer/s in DSD?
5. If no to 3.) on what basis was it not provided to DSD as requested?
6. Which officer/s from the Department of State Development requested a list of Aboriginal heritage sites registered with the Department of indigenous Affairs along a 10km investigation corridor in the vicinity of James Price Point?

I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.

1. Rob Thomas, former Executive Director Land and Heritage, Department of Indigenous Affairs (DIA).

2- 5. DIA officers provide assistance to other government agencies, including the Department of State Development. Records of informal meetings or communications are not maintained by DIA.

There is no record that the DIA file note was handed to DSD informally. Mr Thomas and the then Registrar are no longer officers of DIA.

6. There is no record of a formal request being received by DIA.



Minister for Indigenous Affairs