



Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023 ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Asked by Dr Marisa Paterson on 17 November 2023: Ms Vicki Quinn ACT Official Visitors, took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: corrections complaints – sexual violence

DR PATERSON: Ms Quinn, my question also relates to Corrections complaints. I spoke to Minister Gentleman and Corrections officials in the hearing earlier this week around what they are doing in terms of prevention of sexual violence within AMC. I was wondering, in terms of the complaints that you receive, if any of them or to what extent are complaints you receive around sexual coercion or violence?

Ms Quinn: I do not believe there are any in the annual report period. I would have to take that question on notice to answer it fully and completely. As for what Corrections are doing about it, that would be for them to follow up with and answer.

ACT Official Visitors: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

Official Visitors are aware of 2 allegations of sexual assault during the 2022-23 period. These were raised with Official Visitors by the 4 of those accused of the assaults. No charges were laid however all 4 of those detainees were disciplined, while kept on Investigative Segregation.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Signature:

Date: 28 November 2023.

By Mr Peter Muir, Chair of the Official Visitors Board, ACT Official Visitors