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Inquiry into referred 2015–16 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
27 February 2017

Asked by MR HANSON:

In relation to:

Can you provide a timeline regarding the employment and subsequent resignations of Mr House and Mr Farnhill that indicates the timing of conversations related to conflict of interest procedures, possible resignations, the prospect of investigations and the release of media reports?

CHIEF MINISTER: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

DATE	*Conversations related to conflict of interest procedures, possible resignations, the prospect of investigations / Release of Media Reports
4 January 2017	• Meeting between Jeff House and Sue Hall re potential conflict of interest
27 January 2017	• Mr House advised Mr Dawes and Ms Leigh of management of potential perceived conflict issue
30 January 2017	• Mr House advises Mr Dawes of his intention to resign, effective 10 February • Mr House advises Ms Leigh that he is resigning • Mr House advises Ms Hall that he has informed Mr Dawes and his staff of his intention to resign and requests end of employment data
31 January 2017	• Ms Hall provides Mr House end of employment data • Meeting between Mr House, Ms Leigh and Ms Hall re Mr House's resignation
1 February 2017	• Canberra Times article "International Engagement Commissioner Brendan Smyth hired partner of public servant who created his new office"
3 February 2017	• Meeting between Mr Dawes and Mr House, with Ms Wicks present, to advise Mr House of commencement of misconduct investigation
4 February 2017	• Ms Hall provides Mr House with further requested end of employment

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	information • Mr House confirms his resignation, effective 8 February
6 February 2017	• Canberra Times article "Senior bureaucrat Jeff House resigns amid turmoil in chief minister's directorate"
20 February 2017	• Mr Farnhill tends his resignation, effective 22 February

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Signature: Date: 8.3.17

By the Chief Minister, Andrew Barr MLA