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Chief Minister

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Member for Kurrajong

RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Questions on Notice Paper No 4

21 MARCH 2025

Question No. 218

MR PETER CAIN MLA: To ask the Chief Minister

1. Does the ACT Government stand by the findings of the Board of Inquiry into the Criminal Justice System.
2. What was the basis for the Attorney-General's finding on 4 August 2023 that Mr Drumgold's position was untenable.
3. Did the ACT Government pay Mr Sofronoff's legal costs in his defence of his conduct during the Board of Inquiry into the Criminal Justice System in the Supreme Court proceedings of *Drumgold v Board of Inquiry*.
4. Will the ACT Government (a) pursue a criminal investigation in relation to Mr Sofronoff's conduct as chair of the Board of Inquiry into the Criminal Justice System, (b) refer Mr Sofronoff to the Queensland Legal Services Commission, (c) pursue Mr Sofronoff for the money paid to him, and the costs associated with the Board of Inquiry into the Criminal Justice System and (d) continue to publish the findings of the Board of Inquiry into the Criminal Justice System on the ACT Government website.

ANDREW BARR MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

There are resultant court matters from the Report of the Board of Inquiry into the Criminal Justice System and the Investigation Report Operation Juno by the Integrity Commission. The Government will not provide comment on these matters or questions of legal representation. A Government Response will be tabled in the Legislative Assembly, in line with the Statutory requirement.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



Andrew Barr MLA
Chief Minister

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