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Sam Griffith; Monica Loftus

Subject:

RE: Inquiry into the integrity, efficacy and value for money of NSW Government

grant programs - Witness invitation

Dear

Thank you for your assistance with arrangements for Friday.

However please be advised that the Chair has asked for the secretariat to pass on his concerns that another former staffer from the Premier's Office would be of potentially greater assistance to the committee than Sarah Lau. He was disappointed that this was not communicated in writing and in a timely manner to allow the committee to consider the matter ahead of Friday. He indicated it was unhelpful to the committee's work that this person was not officially nominated by the Premier's Office to give evidence.

The Chair suggests you reconsider whether the additional witness be nominated to give evidence on Friday, noting that Ms Lau and Ms Cruickshank are confirmed attendees for the hearing. We would need to be urgently advised of this as the hearing is on Friday and the committee would need to consider any changes to its schedule.

The Chair noted that there is a benefit in efficiently dispatching business this Friday, but if necessary, the committee may hold a further hearing.

Kind regards

Sam Griffith

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