

## Inquiry into 2020 Review of the Workers Compensation Scheme

### Responses to Questions taken on Notice

23 November 2020

#### Question 1

**The Hon. DANIEL MOOKHEY:** Yes, that is fine. I have got two more questions on this front—or three, actually, on this front. Mr Freitas, why did you have the understanding that you were responsible for staff? To be clear, did he tell you? Was there a formal instrument of delegation, a letter? How did you acquire that responsibility?

**Mr FREITAS:** Yes, I believe there was a formal instrument of delegation.

**The Hon. DANIEL MOOKHEY:** Okay. Was that your appointment letter?

**Mr FREITAS:** No, I do not think so. I recall another brief.

**The Hon. DANIEL MOOKHEY:** Another brief that specified that it was your responsibility?

**Mr FREITAS:** That is correct.

**The Hon. DANIEL MOOKHEY:** On notice, if you could provide any further detail on that it would be helpful—namely, when was it signed, who provided the brief would be useful.

**Mr FREITAS:** Sure, okay

#### Answer

- I do recall signing a brief which delegated staffing responsibilities to me, however I do not have access to these records any longer as I have left the Minister's office.
- Typically those briefs are produced by the Department of Premier and Cabinet and the signed copy would also be retained by them.