

**PREMIER — HUAWEI — VERBAL OR WRITTEN BRIEFINGS**

*Question on Notice 1583 — Correction of Answer*

**HON SUE ELLERY (South Metropolitan — Leader of the House)** [5.09 pm]: I rise to table a corrected answer to Legislative Council question on notice 1583. The original answer referred to two written briefings dated 28 June and 2 July 2018 from the Office of State Security and Emergency Coordination. That sentence is both misleading and incorrect, as the Premier never received those two written briefings. For the benefit of the house, when drafting the answer, the Department of the Premier and Cabinet identified two documents that were drafted by OSSEC and were therefore included in the answer. However, we can find no record that they were ever sent to, received by or signed by the Premier. Moreover, the Premier has no recollection of seeing the documents in question. The Premier acknowledges that the drafted notes appear in FOI 20180037 from his office released to the Leader of the Opposition. Those notes were included in the interest of consistency and transparency when they were identified in the corresponding freedom of information request to the Department of the Premier and Cabinet. However, their inclusion in an FOI release from the Premier's office ultimately created the impression, along with the incorrect answer, that these documents were received by the Premier when in fact they were not. The Premier apologises to the Council for the provision of the incorrect answer. I now table the corrected answer.

[See paper 2582.]