

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS — HUAWEI

595. Hon PETER COLLIER to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to the government's decision to award a \$136 million contract to Huawei.

- (1) Has the Premier or anyone in the Premier's office received copies of any correspondence between the Department of the Premier and Cabinet and federal government agencies in relation to any security issues regarding Huawei, including but not limited to the automatic train control system and the public mobile broadband safety network?
- (2) If yes to (1), will the Premier table the correspondence; and, if not, why not?
- (3) Has the Premier or anyone in the Premier's office received a briefing note from the Department of the Premier and Cabinet regarding Huawei, including but not limited to the automatic train control system and public mobile broadband safety?
- (4) If yes to (3), will the Premier table that briefing note; and if not, why not?
- (5) Has the Premier or anyone in the Premier's office received a verbal briefing from the Department of the Premier and Cabinet regarding Huawei, including but not limited to the automatic train control system and public mobile broadband safety?
- (6) If yes to (5), on what date was it; and who briefed the Premier?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) Yes.
- (2) No. The correspondence contains sensitive and commercial-in-confidence information that could cause damage to the public interest.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) No. The briefing notes contain sensitive and commercial-in-confidence information.
- (5) Yes.
- (6) On 12 July 2018, correspondence was discussed with a member of the Premier's office during a wideranging briefing on security matters by the Office of State Security and Emergency Coordination.