

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES —
INVESTIGATIONS INTO ALLEGED MISCONDUCT

1855. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

For those Agencies under the Attorney General's control, for the 2008-09 financial years can the Attorney General advise —

- (1) How many 'appropriate authority investigations' into alleged misconduct were conducted by Agencies under your control?
- (2) Of the total, how many are complete?
- (3) What was the finding from the investigation?
- (4) Was a report done on each of those investigations?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?
- (6) Were these reports made public?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?
- (8) How many investigations are still ongoing/outstanding?
- (9) What is the nature of the investigations?

Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:

Department of the Attorney General

- (1) Seven.
- (2) Four.
- (3) Two misconduct; two no misconduct.
- (4) Yes.
- (5) Not applicable.
- (6) No.
- (7) Under current legislation, an investigation does not present proof of wrongdoing. An investigation establishes the facts and tests the veracity of available evidence to bring about cause to charge an employee with alleged misconduct. Therefore, the public release of a report would be prejudicial and damaging for the respondent.
- (8) Three.
- (9) Two inappropriate use of resources; one inappropriate access to information.