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THE HONOURABLE PETER M. HALL QC CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

AT SYDNEY

ON WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH, 2019

AT 10.30AM

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THE COMMISSIONER: In the past week, sorry, last week Mr Petroulias made an application for these proceedings by way of public inquiry to be discontinued. On 8 February last I re-listed the proceedings for directions. On that day it was announced that the inquiry would recommence on the 18 March, 2019 and would continue for two weeks. No mention was made on that date that Mr Petroulias wished to make or would make a discontinuance application.

- Mr Petroulias's written application to discontinue runs to some 22 pages. It is dated 14 March, 2019 and was delivered to the Commission on that date. It raises matters alleging a denial of procedural fairness. It will require time for my consideration. As disruptive as it is to adjourn the public inquiry to others appearing in the inquiry, including legal representatives appearing for those who are participating in it, I have determined that in accordance with proper convention and practice that I must adjourn the inquiry in order to enable me to fully and properly consider the application that has been made by Mr Petroulias to which I referred.
- Accordingly, that being that case, I adjourn the public inquiry. I vacate the
 scheduled program fixed for this week and for next week. The parties are to
 be advised in due course of the date upon which I will deliver reasons for
 the decision on the discontinuance application. I adjourn.

AT 10.45AM THE MATTER WAS ADJOURNED ACCORDINGLY [10.45am]