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Is it right that at that point in time, you suspected that Mr Maguire had been engaged in corrupt conduct?---I didn't know, I couldn't make any assumption at that stage. He was professing his innocence, and saying it was a misunderstanding. But I also knew, I also knew that, given the dramatic way in which the information had been revealed and what it could mean, I wasn't sure. But under the circumstances, given he was a parliamentary secretary, I thought it appropriate to ask him to stand aside until the matters were investigated.

I'm not asking whether you were sure. What I'm asking is whether at that point in time when you asked Mr Maguire for his resignation, whether you suspected that Mr Maguire had been engaged in corrupt conduct.---I didn't know.

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I'm not asking whether you knew. I'm asking you whether at that point in time you suspected that Mr Maguire was engaged in corrupt conduct, or had been engaged in corrupt conduct.---I, I didn't know, I didn't know what -- I was in shock, I didn't know what to think. I didn't, I didn't, I didn't have enough detail. I hadn't read what was happening. I can't remember what I thought at that time.

Let me ask you precisely. As at the time that you asked Mr Maguire for his resignation, did you suspect that Mr Maguire had been engaged in corrupt conduct?---I didn't know.

I'm not asking whether you knew. I'm asking whether at the time you asked for Mr Maguire's resignation you suspected that he may have been engaged in corrupt conduct.---I, I, I didn't, I didn't, I didn't know. I was, I wasn't sure.

No, I'm not asking whether you knew or whether you were sure. I'm asking whether, at the time you asked for his resignation - - -?---Well, I didn't, I didn't know.

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Just let me finish my question. I'm not asking whether you knew. I'm asking about the state of your suspicion or otherwise. Did you at that point in time suspect that Mr Maguire may have engaged in corrupt conduct?
---No.

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