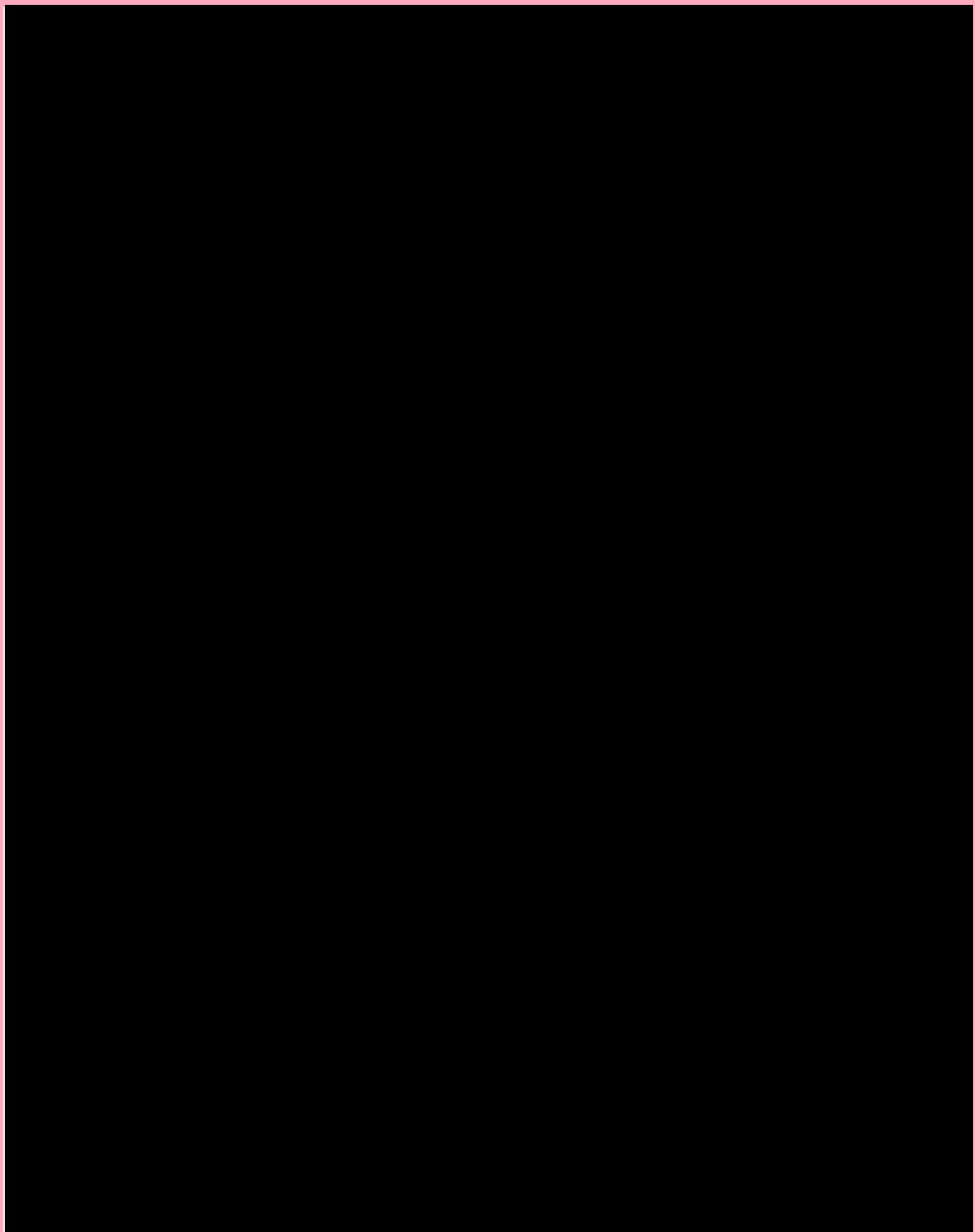


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In your capacity as a member of parliament?---It's hard to distance yourself from being a member of parliament 24 hours a day. You, you cease to be a citizen once you become a member of parliament.

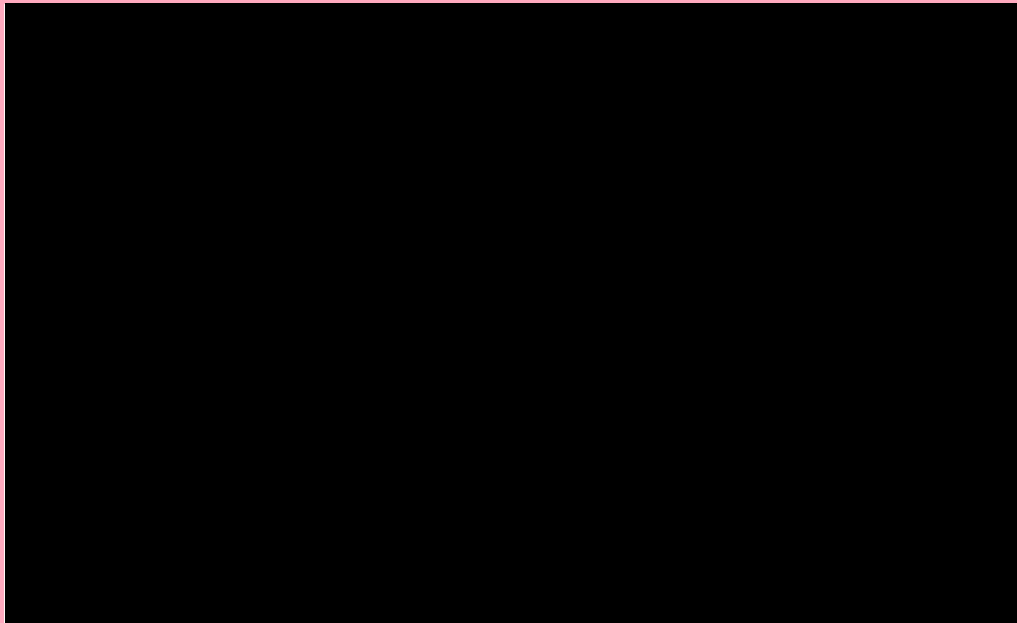


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20 For a lunch at Parliament House with Charlie Demian, it's in the subject line, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, 2016.---Yes.

Can you tell us why you were meeting with Mr Demian on that occasion?  
---To my recollection, he had wanted to meet with me to talk about a problem that he had with one of his sites.

THE COMMISSIONER: Sorry, problem with?---One of his sites, his property sites. To the best of my recollection.

30 MS ELLIS: And Mr Demian didn't have any property sites in Wagga, did he?---No.

His sites were in Sydney?---Yes.

And what was the reason that he was meeting with you about those sites?  
---He had some issues with RMS, I think, and perhaps council.

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MS ELLIS: Just returning to page 4, you've referred to, well, Mr Elliott's referred to in his last words on the page, "Sort of thing we can talk about away from prying ears and over refreshments," and you've said, "Yes, yeah." Is that consistent with what you and Mr Elliott were doing at the  
40 time, you were trying to have conversations like this in places where you couldn't be overheard?---Oh, we would often get together and have a glass of red, and enjoy each other's company.

Specifically in relation to G8way International Pty Ltd - - -?  
---Not necessarily, no, not necessarily.

Well, just wait for the rest of my question, if that's all right. Specifically in relation to G8way International Pty Ltd, were you and Mr Elliott concerned

about concealing your involvement in that company?---I, I would have to say yes.

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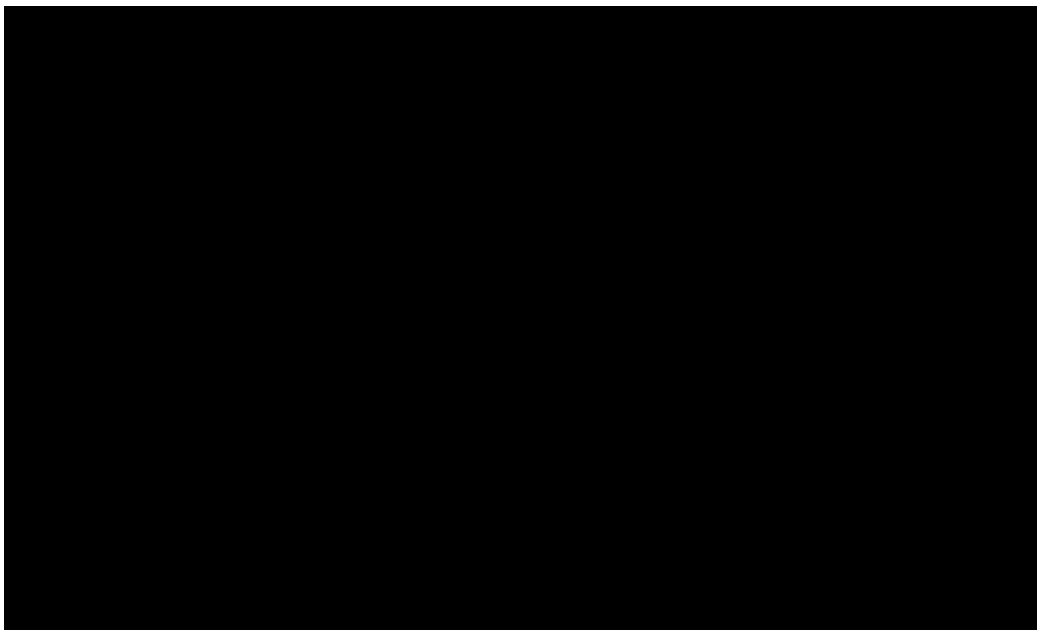


10 Now, this letter is a letter of 24 June, 2016, and you see from what Dr Wallace says, at least at that point in time, he was of the view that it was a perfect long-term home for the RCM, that was in the paragraph that we zoomed in on a moment ago. What steps did you take from, or after 24 June, 2016, in relation to what I'll now call the RCM project?---Oh, I, I needed to talk, to have the building removed from sale or at least a hold put on it because there were – I'm trying to think how many buildings to be sold. Surplus buildings, I, there, there were a number of buildings, but anyway. I had to get a hold put on it because Property's were in control of it, so that happened.

20 Just pausing there, I'm sorry to interrupt, but just pausing there. How did you procure that hold?---I, I would have gone to the minister's office or him or written or somehow, I don't recall exactly, but it, but it needed to be done to give the conservatorium time to consider, you know, what options they could do and, and, and work through their needs. It's quite complicated, the conservatorium, yeah.

And which minister was that? That was the minister responsible for Property NSW, is that right?---Dominello at the time, ah hmm.

30 So you get the hold put in place so that the building can't disappear onto the open market as it were?---Yes.



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40 But one of the things you were trying to achieve with your 18 July, 2017 email is to cause for Ms Berejiklian or Mr Barilaro or both to take some steps in the direction of achieving the RCM proposal. Is that right?---They were wasting our time. The bureaucrats were wasting our time and every day wasted was another day that we couldn't get the university or get the conservatorium new, new homes which was becoming important in my mind. So, yes, yes, I would agree with that.