



10 So the G8way didn't offer any sort of immigration services or anything like that?---No, but we did prepare a website which had – this is in the early part, that had on it that immigration services were either available or coming soon or something along those lines.

And what were those services that you were referring to?---Just that was the, just the, that was just the heading.

And what was that reference intended to mean?---So the reference would be that licensed immigration agent would be available, and, and that would, would have been Ms, Ms Wang in that case.

20 So it was intended that Ms Wang would become part of the G8way business?---Yes, yeah.



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And what was Mr Maguire's relationship with Du Wei?---I think Du Wei may have been a, well, I'm sure he was in the Chinese ambassadorial service and I think he may have been Sydney-based, and that was the initial meeting for those two. I was introduced to him in Beijing on that initial trip, which was that 2011/12.

Your very first trip to China you met Du Wei?---The first trip, the first trip, yeah, introduced to him in, in Beijing.

10 Right. In what context?---Oh, "This is my friend, Du Wei."

From Mr Maguire?---From Mr Maguire.

And you said that there were four or five people that you paid a dividend to. ---Yeah.

You've mentioned three. Who are the others?---One of them was, I can't think of the lady's name, she worked in Mr Maguire's office but she also had a travel agency, I'll think of it, Nicole.

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Ah hmm.---And I can't think of Nicole's surname but she was in the whip's office at that period of time and I couldn't tell you whether it was government or opposition whip, but in the whip's office.

And who else?--- No, I'm sorry, that's, that's where I am at the moment.

That's absolutely it?---No, there was, there was definitely another but I can't for the life of me recall who it was.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Why was a dividend paid to this woman, Nicole? ---I'm sorry?

Why was a dividend paid to this woman, Nicole?---For the service that she was assisting me with mainly to do with, with organising travel and she'd done a number of jobs, for example if I needed a visa, sorry, Commissioner, I should be addressing you, if a visa was required in short notice then she would go up to the Chinese thing just down the road here and get visas organised. She was very, very, very helpful in general terms.

40 Did she have any interest in G8way?---No, no, no, no.

MS ELLIS: Did she have any formal role in G8way?---No. She had no formal role but she, she assisted where, where required, again with things like, like organising visas and so on.

Is there anything else she assisted with apart from visas?---Travel.

Travel.---Yes. She had or has a travel agency or a travel agent licence.

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Can I take you to page 120, 1-2-0. It's the 18th of May, 2012 at 9.42pm from your Gmail address and it's addressed to Daryl.---Okay. Yeah.

Can you read that.---Yes.

Just let me know when you're finished.---Yes.

10 So does this correspondence relate to you following up the educational opportunity in China?---Yeah. Graeme is or was at that time the general manager of Business Enterprise Centre. That's Mr Sayer, S-a-w-y-e-r or S-a-y-e-r.

And you've made a reference to the board. Who was the board?---And that was the board of the BEC. They're a, they're a body run by a board.

So you've indicated that you've had, you made some representations to the board about the proposal.---Yeah, yes.

20 Do you recall whether you included a reference to G8way International's role, proposed role in relation to the opportunity?---No, I don't recall.

And you say, "After a bit of discussion, the board have agreed to progress in whatever manner I (we) see fit, and if that means a trip to Sydney or China, then by all means." Is the reference in "we" there a reference to Mr Maguire as well as yourself?---Yes, it would be.

I'll take you to page 121.---Can I just have a moment, please?

30 Of course.---The reference at the bottom of that to Mariam was a very dear friend who passed away.

I'm very sorry.---So, at, at, at that time, so - - -

Please take your time. Just let us know when you're ready.---That did bring a memory back.

I'm sorry about that.---No, no, that's, that's fine. Thank you.

40 No problem. So I'm putting in front of you an email dated the 20th of May, 2012.

---Yeah. Yes.

It's from a g8wayconsultancy email address, g8way, to Nicole Hatton, a parliamentary email address, 11.28. I'll give you the opportunity to read that.---Thank you.

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So it appears from this email that you did provide Nicole Hatton with access to the g8wayconsultancy Gmail.---Yes, that's the case. I don't recall that being the case, but that's obviously the case.

And what was the purpose of that?---Presumably so she could send emails on behalf of G8way.

Was she authorised to represent G8way in any capacity?---Not formally I wouldn't have thought, no, not by me.

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Who would have authorised her if it wasn't you?---The presumption would be that Mr Maguire would have been in that situation.

Well, there's a reference in that email to – you say, “I believe Daryl has spoken to you about it.”---Ah, okay.

So presumably you had a conversation with Mr Maguire as well about this fact.---Again, I don't recall the conversation or the email, but it's there and the answer would be yes.

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In your view, and thinking back to 2012, who was driving the company's business at the time? Who was coming up with ideas of what the company would do and how it would develop?---It's probably just a combination of discussions if you refer back to that earlier email about “bbq, red, chat” and so on. It was just in that sort of context.

And those were discussions between you and Mr Maguire?---Yes.

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Was anyone else involved in coming up with ideas for the company or the development of the company?---Not that I can recall.

I'm going to take you to page 123.---Yeah, no. Yes.

So if we could start with the email from your Gmail. I apologise about the format. This is just how it comes out with a few different emails involved in the chain. I'm looking at the one that's on the 22nd of May, 2012, at 12.45pm, from your Gmail address. Can you see that at the top of the screen?---Yes (not transcribable)

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What's happened is you've forwarded on a strata review parliamentary lunch and you've said, and just for your information – we'll see this when we scroll up – you forward it on to Mr Maguire's parliamentary email address, and you've said, “Thinking of coming to Sydney for this. Probably bring Michele also. What would be the chances of meeting Mr Roberts the day before just to reinforce my/our interest and involvement with advisory panels and of course catching up with you for a cuppa?”---Yeah.

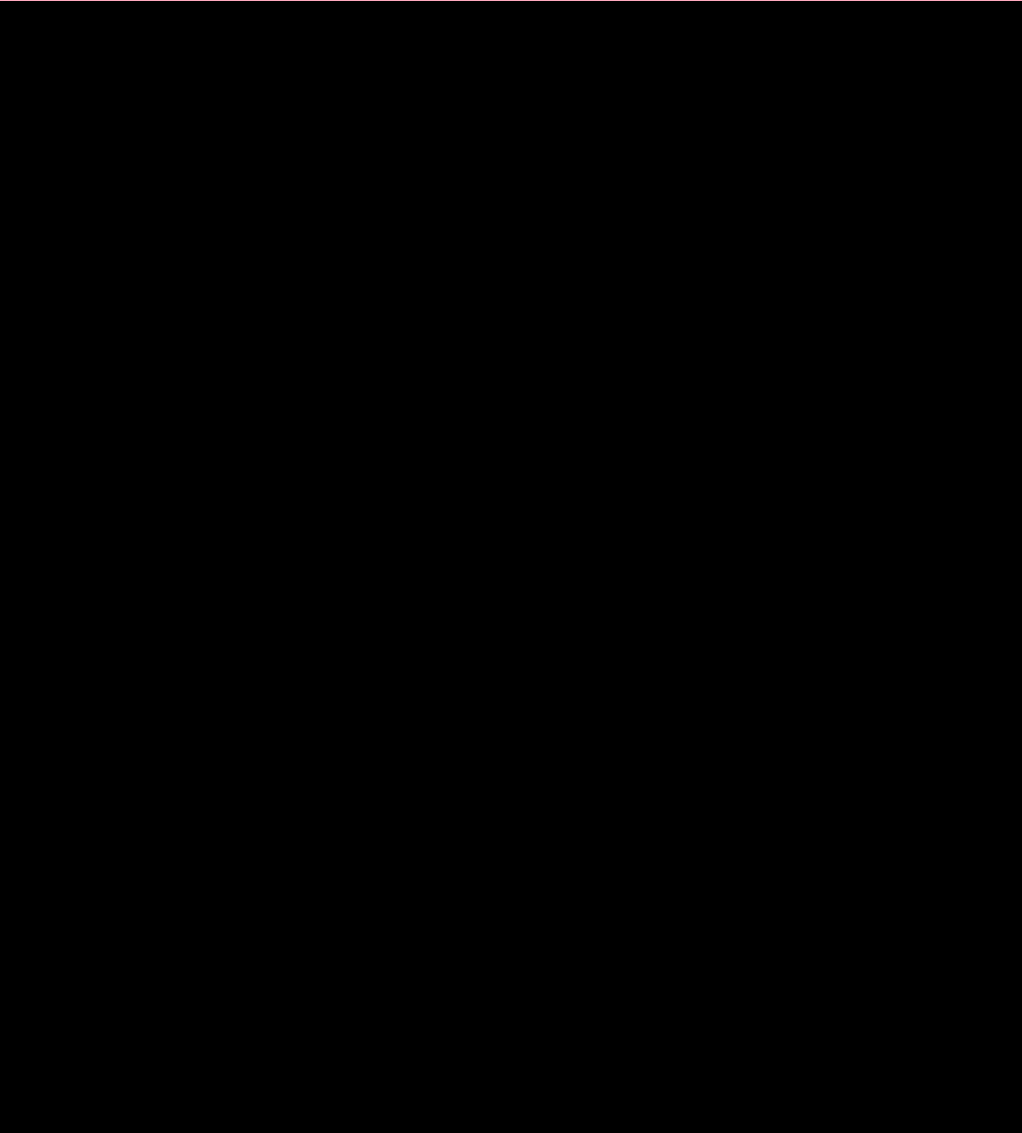
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10 I'll take you to page 179. This is an email from Mr Maguire to your Gmail address and it attaches the document called G8way International Business Club.doc.---Yes, yes.

Was G8way International ever spoken about as a business club?---Yeah. It was discussed, yeah.

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So this is the document that both you and Mr Maguire had a hand in drafting?---Yeah, well, it will have been, because in the, if you can go down or up towards the top the second paragraph straightaway determines that.

And what about the second paragraph shows you that?---Forget the first line, "For two decades," well, my involvement had been for a few months so - - -

10 So that sentence in full reads, "The principals of G8way International have been dealing with China and the Asia Pacific nations for two decades and have made many visits to regions, in particular China."---Yes.

And that's, the two decades part of that is a reference to Mr Maguire's experience?---It would be, yes.

And so the principals of G8way International there referenced were yourself and Mr Maguire?---Based on that, yes.

20 Was there anybody else?---No, no.

And you see further down, four paragraphs down there's a sentence, "G8way International's influence and experience reaches to high levels of government." Is that true?---Yes.

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Chamber of, South China Business Chamber one, which was a costed one sent to their members.

And was that advertising in China about G8way?---Yes, yes.

Did you ever advertise in Australia for G8way?---No, I don't believe so.

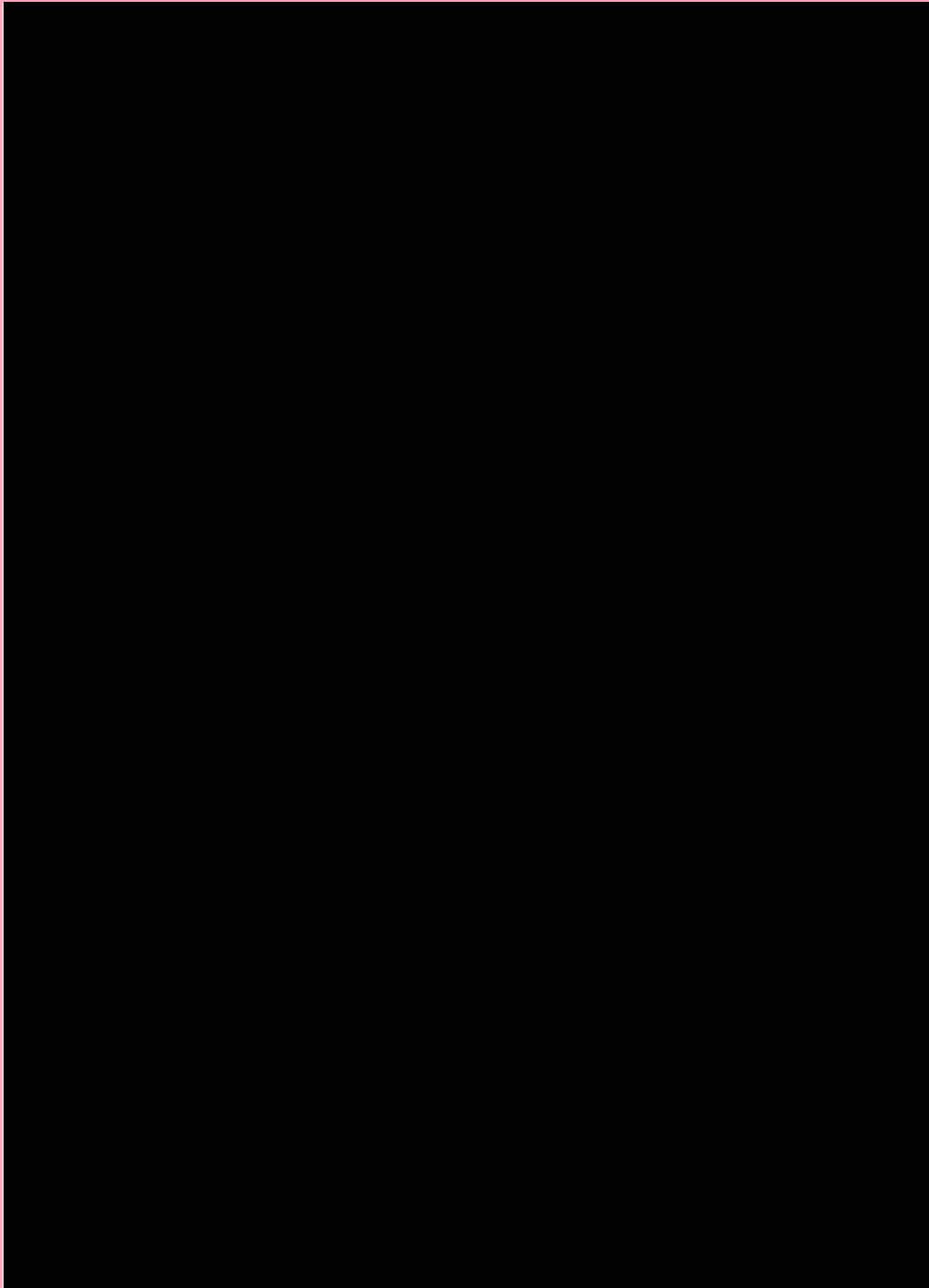
But you certainly maintained a website for G8way?---Yes, yeah.

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