



Statement by the Queensland Integrity Commissioner, Dr Nikola Stepanov PhD.

Friday, 25 February 2022.

The fact of my referral to the Parliamentary Economics and Governance Committee is now public knowledge.

However, apart from public statements made by others and information contained in recent media reports, it remains the case that I have no knowledge of the nature of the referral or the circumstances in which the referral was made.

Natural justice is the right to be made aware of, and respond to, information which will be used in the course of a decision that might negatively affect a person.

In the normal course of events, natural justice requires that the subject of a complaint be given enough information so that they can understand and respond to a complaint made against them.

There is also a legal maxim that says, 'justice delayed is justice denied'.

It is my sincere desire that any allegations that have been made against me be investigated fully, independently, and expeditiously; and that the outcome of any such investigation be made public as soon as possible.

End of statement.