

### **SESSION 3: EVIDENCE**

Question 1: With respect to each of the following objections, outline your reasons for admission or otherwise.

#### **CSTB Records**

Ms Masi has since been removed as Chair of the CSTB. The Secretary objects to evidence being led from the new Chair that searches at the CSTB have failed to locate any applications by the Department of Works for the certificates of inexpediency.

#### **Emails**

The State intends to lead evidence that on 10 March 2022 Ms Masi wrote using her official email address to the Secretary's official email address attaching twenty certificates of inexpediency for each of the contracts. The Secretary responded via email thanking her for support for the important work of the State to the people of the country. He signed off: "As discussed, please tell Gracie to see me at the office next week."

The Secretary objects to the admission of the email correspondence.

Is your answer any different if one or other of the emails is from a private address like gmail?

#### **Bank Records**

Mr Reuben objects to the local bank records of payments from Hard Work Australia to his bank account on the basis that there is no statement from the bank in Australia producing the records there.

#### **CCTV**

The State intends to lead CCTV footage it says shows that Mr Reuben and Mr Ono met on several occasions during the period at the coffee shop of the Hilton Hotel. On one occasion Mr Ono gives Mr Reuben a document folder.

Mr Reuben objects to the production of CCTV records on the basis that it is of poor quality.

#### **Telephone Records**

The State produces telephone records from the country provider which show frequent telephone calls between the two men.

Mr Reuben objects on the basis that they are private communications.

The State produces downloaded extracts of text messages from his mobile phone. Mr Reuben objects on the basis that no expert witness has been called. Would your answer be different if extraction recovered deleted text messages.

