

From: Angus Llewellyn [REDACTED]
Sent: Mon, 15 Feb 2021 12:28:55 +1100 (AEDT)
To: Chris Bendall [REDACTED]; Myles Farley [REDACTED]
 Tasha Smithies [REDACTED]; Peter Meakin [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]; Laura Binnie [REDACTED] >
Subject: Fwd: response update [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Statement from the presiding officers. Worth noting they've confirmed that the CCTV footage exists still - and they say it was viewed by the AFP 2019 and they can access it if they want it. Sounds like they're covering themselves. Would have been bloody well nice if they told Brittany they had it in 2019. Certainly odd that they didn't. She dropped the case because it was her word against his and no access to the CCTV.

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From: "Communication (DPS)" [REDACTED]
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Date: 15 February 2021 at 12:21:51 pm AEDT
To: [REDACTED]
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Hi Angus,

Please find below a response to your enquiry from Friday to the Presiding Officers. This should be attributed to a spokesperson for the Presiding Officers.

Regards

Nick

Statement to The Project: Monday 15 February

After ongoing consultation with ACT Policing, the Presiding Officers are aware of an investigation which commenced into an incident at Parliament House in 2019.

Access to the secure areas of Parliament House is provided to authorised pass holders.

In the case of staff, they are nominated by their employing member, senator or minister. It is the responsibility of passholders and sponsors to ensure compliance with the conditions of access. Access to individual offices is determined by the employing senator, member or minister.

The entry of passholders is recorded, and security footage and records are retained in line with specific policies.

The relevant security camera footage of that evening, which was viewed by the Australian Federal Police in 2019, has been stored on an ongoing basis at the direction of the Presiding Officers and with the agreement of ACT Policing for their access as required for any investigation.

As a consequence of this issue now being under active investigation, further queries should be addressed to ACT Policing.

From: Communication (DPS)
Sent: Monday, 15 February 2021 10:11 AM
To: [REDACTED]
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Hi Angus,

Quick email update in regards to your enquiries to the Presiding Officers.

The response is just being finalised and should be sent through to you shortly.

Regards

Nick

Nick Edwards

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