

Question on Notice

No. 1237

Asked on 28 October 2022

MS F SIMPSON ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE, MINISTER FOR WOMEN AND MINISTER FOR THE PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE (HON S FENTIMAN)

QUESTION:

With reference to allegations in the United States that IT company Konnech stored copies of polling worker data in China—

Will the Attorney-General guarantee that during and after testing and development of Queensland's Election Management System, no data, including that of ECQ poll workers, was accessed by Chinese based software developers who worked on the system?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Maroochydore for her question.

The Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ) does not enable or allow any suppliers, including Konnech Australia, to use personal information or electoral data for software development, regardless of the location of the developers. Only test or 'dummy' data is used for software development.

There is no evidence to suggest that any electoral data has been improperly accessed or stored by any developers involved in the development of the Election Management System, including those located overseas.