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something, we will really support you and we're happy to help you. If you let us know, we can help facilitate that.' And so I don't remember having a lot to

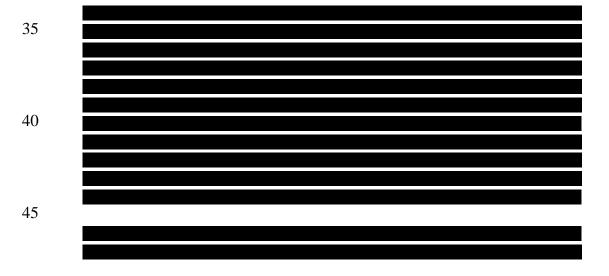
Then the meeting terminated?---I'm trying to recall if it was at that meeting Brittany agreed that she would like us to approach the AFP on her behalf or whether I did it subsequent, when the meeting was over, but I do recall that Brittany at some point, either at that meeting or shortly after, said that she would like to talk to the AFP – because that's the other thing, Senator Reynolds also said – she encouraged the discussion with the AFP because it was a way to talk these things through and it was giving Brittany the opportunity for that independence and agency, if you like. So I then – once I got told by Brittany that she would like to have that discussion - - -

Yes?---Once I got told by Brittany she would like to have that discussion, I then sought to find the phone number of the Parliament House based AFP.

- Two questions. I'm just trying to set a context for this meeting. Had you conveyed to Minister Reynolds the 'I recall him being on top of me' comment?---Yes.
- When did you convey that to Minister Reynolds?---It was either the Thursday night or the Friday morning. I don't I don't recall exactly.

Secondly, at this meeting on 1 April, did Brittany Higgins raise any concerns with you?---About?

- Well, about career and impacts on career?---I beg your pardon. Yes. She said she she did also ask she was concerned about how this could impact her career and Senator Reynolds said there would be no impact to her career and that she had our full support.
- I'm just trying to get where that is in the context of the invitation for Ms Higgins to go and talk to the AFP. Was it in response to that or was it out of sequence with that?---It was probably out of sequence with that, yes.



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