

Glossary of Terms - Operation Juno

TERM	PAGE NO. (first reference)	DESCRIPTION
Board of Inquiry	1	The functions of a Board of Inquiry are stipulated in the <i>Inquiries Act 1991</i> – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> inquire into a matter stated in the instrument of appointment (s 5), to prepare a report (s 14(1)(a)) and submit the report to the Chief Minister (s 14(1)(b)). Mr Sofronoff was appointed to the position of Chair of the Board of Inquiry pursuant to s 5 of the Inquiries Act.
The Report	1	The Board of Inquiry Report.
Additional publications	1	Conduct by Mr Sofronoff KC of the provision of the Report to two journalists prior to the Report being made public by the Chief Minister.
Media communications	1	Conduct by Mr Sofronoff KC of disclosures to and communications with members of the media during the course of the Inquiry.
Disclosures	1	Collective term to describe the two areas of conduct by Mr Sofronoff KC – additional publications and media communications.
Impugned conduct	2	The four areas being the subject of Operation Juno: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the communications between Mr Sofronoff and Ms Albrechtsen that were considered in the ACT Supreme Court proceedings initiated by Mr Drumgold against the Board of Inquiry (the litigation); the communications by Mr Sofronoff of confidential matter to Ms Albrechtsen; the delivery of the Board of Inquiry Report to Ms Albrechtsen and Ms Byrne following delivery to the Chief Minister and before its public release by him; and the failure of Mr Sofronoff to afford natural justice to the persons whose interests were affected by the decisions to make the communications.
The Litigation	2	ACT Supreme Court proceedings initiated by Mr Drumgold against the Board of Inquiry. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commenced on 25 Aug 2023 – Drumgold files application for judicial review of findings of the Report in ACT Supreme Court. Determined on 4 Mar 2024 – Kaye AJ handed down his decision as recorded in <i>Drumgold v Board of Inquiry & Ors (No. 3) [2024] ACTSC 58</i>
The Notices	4	Notices of Adverse Findings against Mr Drumgold. The fundamental purpose of a Notice is to provide relevant persons with information about potential adverse findings in order to provide them an opportunity to respond before the findings were determined.
The Response	4	Mr Drumgold’s initial response to the Notices of Adverse Findings.
Confidential matter	4	The four categories of documents collectively referred to as confidential matter, constituting part of the media communications referred to above: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the provision of witness statements (as to some, that were subject to a non-publication order and subject to legal professional privilege), drafts of the Report Notices of Adverse Findings against Mr Drumgold Mr Drumgold’s initial Response to the Notices (the Response).
Created material	52	The Notices (notices of adverse findings against Drumgold) and the Report (Board of Inquiry Report).