

8. Defence

- (1) At the preliminary hearing or at any other time, the Tribunal may direct the respondent to file with the registrar and serve upon every other party to the inquiry Points of Defence which respond to the allegations set out in the Points of Claim and which set out any affirmative defence upon which the respondent relies.
- (2) Where the Tribunal directs that Points of Defence shall be filed and served, they shall be filed and served not later than 14 days after the day on which the respondent is served with the Points of Claim unless, in a particular inquiry, the Tribunal directs otherwise.