Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Ouestion:

- a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?
- b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?
- c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Answer:

a) Between 7 September 2013 and 30 November 2013, 10 ongoing employees commenced with the Australian Public Service Commission (the Commission), 2 of which are temporary transfers under section 26 of the *Public Service Act 1999* and will be returning to their home agency.

Table 1: Ongoing commencements by classification

Classification	No. of ongoing employees
EL 1	3
EL 2	2
APS 4	3
APS 6	1
SES	1
Total	10

- b) Staffing levels have remained relatively constant with no additional positions created.
- c) Between 7 September 2013 to 30 November 2013, 6 employees commenced a nonongoing contract with the Commission. The average length of contract is approximately 7 months.