Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question: BET 45

Topic: Appointment of the Minister for Population

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Senator BERNARDI asked:

Senator BERNARDI—And so you are unable to give me a specific date when Treasury were advised that a Minister for Population was going to be appointed?

Mr R Murray—We probably became aware of it literally a day or so before that.

Senator Sherry—We will take that on notice and get you the exact date. As to the conversations, briefings, advices to ministers and discussions prior to that, obviously that will not be provided.

Answer:

The Treasury was advised of the Hon Tony Burke MP's appointment as Minister for Population on 1 April 2010.