

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

**Agency - Fair Work Australia**

**DEEWR Question No. EW0152\_13**

**Senator Abetz asked on 28 May 2012 , Hansard page 20**

**Question**

**FWA - Letter from Holding Redlich**

Senator ABETZ: To Mr Nassios. Ms Carruthers, are you aware of a letter from Holding Redlich, the Labor-funded lawyer, seeking an extension of time to respond?  
Ms Carruthers: Certainly an extension of time we sought. I have that will I hesitate to say definitely that it was from Holding Redlich. My recollection is that it was but I would need to check that. Senator ABETZ: What was the extension of time granted, Ms O'Neill? it was weeks, was it not? Ms Carruthers: Again Senator, I would need to check my facts.

**Answer**

*Fair Work Australia has provided the following response:*

Fair Work Australia received a letter from Holding Redlich dated 9 January 2012.

The letter from Holding Redlich sought an extension of time on behalf of Mr Thomson in which to respond to the Delegate's letter. The Delegate granted Mr Thomson an extension of three weeks until 5 March 2012 in which to respond.