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Question

Redundancies since 7 September 2013

Senator CAMERON: Have any people accepted redundancies since 7 September? Ms Rundle: I believe not; I may have to check that for you. Senator CAMERON: When you are checking, can you find out whether they were voluntary or involuntary and the total amount in redundancies paid? Ms Rundle: Yes. Ms Leon: I have not had any whole-of-department program of redundancies, either voluntary or otherwise. So, if there have been any, they will have been isolated instances specific to the circumstances of the particular work area. Senator CAMERON: If there have been I would like to know about it—that is all.

Answer

From 7–17 September 2013 there were no redundancies in the former Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

Since 18 September 2013 when the Department of Employment was established, four people have separated from the department as a voluntary redundancy with total gross severance payments amounting to \$350,163.13. There were no involuntary redundancies.