

15 September 2021

Senator the Hon. Tim Ayres
Chair of the Finance and Public Administration References Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

By email: fpa.sen@aph.gov.au

Dear Senator Ayres

I am writing in response to your letter dated 1 September 2021 regarding the inquiry into the current capability of the Australian Public Service.

Tourism Australia notes the following relevant information:

- 1) Tourism Australia's staffing profile as at 1 July 2021 is as follows:
 - a) **APS ongoing employees:** total headcount is 162 and Average Staffing Level (ASL) is 158.8.
 - b) **APS non-ongoing employees:** total headcount is 36 and ASL is 34.4.
 - c) **Labour hire staff:** total headcount is 10 and Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) is 9.8.
 - d) **Other contractors:** total headcount is 3 and FTE is 2.4.
- 2) 4.7% of total headcount staff are engaged through labour hire arrangements.
- 3) The total value of labour hire contracts entered into between 1 January 2021 and 30 June 2021 is \$676,906.07 exclusive of GST.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Victoria Maigre

Yours sincerely

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