

## **Senate Select Committee on COVID-19**

### **ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

#### **Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Topic:** Supplementation for the National COVID-19 Commission Advisory Board Budget

**Senator:** Gallagher

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#### **Question:**

In the hearing on 4 June, Ms Foster told the Committee that she believed PM&C had sought full supplementation to cover the cost of the NCCC budget in both the 2019/20 and 2020/21 financial years. Given the Department's answers in QoN 0089 and 0094, please confirm that PM&C did not receive full supplementation for the NCCC budget.

#### **Answer:**

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet absorbed the costs of the National COVID-19 Commission Advisory Board in the 2019-20 financial year. Funding for the 2020-21 financial year is being considered through the Budget process.