Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-377

OUTCOME 5: Primary Care

Topic: GP SUPER CLINICS

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Concerning the question specifically in relation to the Minister (E11-139), have any departmental officers under the responsibilities of Minister Roxon, Minister Butler and now Minister Plibersek had meetings requested by Mr Thomson and meetings refused? (Has there been any directives from the Prime Minister or any other person in relation to not meeting with Mr Thomson? If such a directive was given, when was it given and was that directive specifically only for Craig Thomson or in relation to any other member of parliament).

Answer:

The Department of Health and Ageing is not aware of any Departmental officers who have refused meetings requested by Mr Thomson in relation to the Wannervale GP Super Clinic.

The Department is not aware of any directives to Departmental officers to refuse meetings with Mr Thomson or any other member of Parliament in relation to Wannervale GP Super Clinic.