

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-11, 20 October 2010

Question: E10-225

OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: MINISTER'S PARIS TRIP

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

a) Further to evidence given at Estimates, please provide copies of any papers that the minister gave (other than the 2 page speech available on the internet).

In relation to the Programme of the Forum on the Quality of Care (OECD) on 7 October 2010, please advise:

- b) Which session the Minister chaired – the 9.15 to 10.45 session or the 11.15 to 12.30pm session?
- c) Which countries were represented at the forum?
- d) What other engagements did the minister have connected with the OECD in Paris?

Answer:

- a) The OECD prepared the papers for discussion by Ministers at the Forum on Quality of Care and also the Health Ministerial Meeting.
- b) The Minister for Health and Ageing chaired the Forum on Quality of Care that was held on 7 October 2010 from 9:00am to 12:30pm.
- c) Representatives from the following countries attended the Forum on Quality of Care: Australia; Austria; Belgium; Brazil; Canada; Chile; Czech Republic; Denmark; Estonia; Finland; France; Germany; Greece; Hungary; Indonesia; Ireland; Israel; Italy; Japan; Korea; Latvia; Luxembourg; Mexico; Netherlands; New Zealand; Norway; Poland; Portugal; Russian Federation; Singapore; Slovak Republic; Slovenia; Spain; Sweden; Switzerland; Turkey; the United Kingdom; and the United States.
- d) Whilst in Paris, Minister Roxon also Vice-Chaired the OECD Ministerial Meeting that was held on 7-8 October 2010 and attended meetings with:
 - Mr John Martin, Director for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs & Mr Stefano Scarpetta, Deputy Director and Mr Mark Pearson, Head, Health Division OECD;
 - Mr Bill Corr, Deputy Secretary, US Department of Health and Human Services (HSH), Dr Nils Daulaire, Director, Office of Global Health Affairs, HSH and Dr Sherry Glied, Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, HSH;
 - Indonesian Minister of Health, Dr Endang Rahaya Sedyaningsh;
 - Mexican Minister of Health, Dr Jose Angel Cordova Villabos;
 - Minister for Health and Social Services, Finland, Ms Paula Risikko;
 - Minister for Health for Greece, Mr Andreas Loverdos; and
 - UK Secretary of State for Health, Mr Andrew Lansley.