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Communications Portfolio

Australian Communications and Media Authority

Question No: 118

Program No. Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA)

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Contract extensions

Senator Lundy asked:

- 1. Since 18 September 2013, how many non-ongoing contracts have been extended by your Department/Agency without the APSC's approval?
- 2. For every unapproved extension please provide the following details:
 - a. The employee's age.
 - b. Their gender.
 - c. A description of their position.
 - d. Their wage.
 - e. Their position's APS level classification.
 - f. Where they were located.
 - g. Their length of continuous employment at the APS.
 - h. The length of the extension granted by the Department/Agency.
 - i. The reason why the extension was granted.
 - j. Whether the extension was submitted to the APSC for approval and if not why the extension was not submitted for APSC approval?
 - k. The reasons why the extension was granted without the APSC's approval.
 - 1. Please provide all relevant dates.

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Answer:

- 1. 26 non-ongoing contracts were extended during the period 18 September 2013 to 30 April 2014 without APSC approval.
- 2. Details of the 26 non-ongoing contracts extended without APSC approval are as follows:

No.	a. Age Group	b. Gender	c. Position description	d. Salary per annum (FTE)	e. APS Level	f. Location	g. APS continuous employment length (in years)	h. Length of extension granted by agency (in months)	i. Reason why extension was granted	j. Was extension submitted to APSC, if not, why?	k. Reasons why extension was granted without APSC approval	l. Relevant dates (contract extension period)
1	35-44	Female	Policy Officer	43501	APS 6	Canberra	1.15	6	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	21-Dec-13 to 27-Jun- 14
2	35-44	Male	Revenue Assurance Officer	57125	APS 3	Canberra	1.57	20	Assessed as business critical	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	31-Jan-14 to 2-Oct- 15
3	<25	Female	People and Capability Officer	64067	APS 4	Sydney	1.16	8	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	4-Feb-14 to 26-Sep- 14
4	25-34	Male	Senior Policy Officer	80623	APS 6	Melbourne	1.69	5.5	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim	10-Dec-13 to 27-Jun- 14

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										not required to be submitted to APSC	arrangements	
5	35-44	Female	Content Assessor / Investigator	80623	APS 6	Sydney	1	12	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	1-Jul-14 to 30-Jun-15
6	55-64	Female	Executive Assistant	86738	APS 6	Sydney	2.46	extensions during period totalling 11 months	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	25-Dec-13 to 13-Nov- 14
7	55-64	Male	Executive Manager, Gov2.0, Stakeholder Engagement & External Communications	189891	SES 1	Sydney	4.13	a extensions during period totalling 3 months	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	1-Jan-14 to 21-Mar-14
8	25-34	Female	Senior Radiocomms Engineer	105318	EL 1	Melbourne	9.3	4	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	28-0ct-14 to 23-Oct- 14

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9	25-34	Male	Investigations Officer	80623	APS 6	Melbourne	2.07	extensions during period totalling 9 months	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	29-Mar-14 to 31-Dec- 14
10	35-44	Male	Senior Lawyer	115983	EL 1	Melbourne	1.19	12	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	16-Aug-14 to 15-Aug- 15
11	25-34	Male	JEE Developer	86738	APS 6	Canberra	2.3	6	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	7-Jun-14 to 5-Dec-14
12	45-54	Female	Admin Officer, Cybersmart Programs	71679	APS 5	Sydney	12.67	extensions during period totalling 6 months	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	1-Jan-14 to 30-Jun-14
13	35-44	Male	Senior Lawyer	115983	EL 1	Melbourne	2.8	6	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim	9-Jan-14 to 10-Jul-15

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										not required to be submitted to APSC	arrangements	
14	55-64	Female	Policy Officer	86738	APS 6	Sydney	1.72	5	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	23-Dec-13 to 22-May- 14
15	55-64	Female	Project Officer	86738	APS 6	Sydney	1.72	2	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	23-May-14 to 23-July- 14
16	35-44	Male	Facilities Officer	64067	APS 4	Melbourne	1.84	6	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	21-Dec-13 to 30-Jun- 14
17	45-54	Female	Assistant Manager, Do Not Call Register	93353	EL 1	Melbourne	0.77	6	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	14-Dec-13 to 10-Jun- 14
18	25-34	Male	Senior IT Technical	98202	EL 1	Melbourne	1.29	12	Assessed as business	Under APSC interim arrangements,	Extension was finalised prior to	26-Oct-13 to 31-Oct-

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			Officer						critical	extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	APSC interim arrangements	14
19	25-34	Female	Policy Officer	76767	APS 6	Sydney	2.38	6	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	21-Dec-13 to 27-Jun- 14
20	65 and over	Male	Agency Procurement Advisor	105318	EL 1	Canberra	2.08	3	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	29-Mar-14 to 30-Jun- 14
21	45-54	Male	Senior Network Technical Specialist	98202	EL 1	Canberra	0.73	5	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	1-Feb-14 to 27-Jun- 14
22	25-34	Male	Revenue Assurance Officer	60618	APS 3	Canberra	1.76	18	Assessed as business critical	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	25-Jan-14 to 26-Jul- 15
23	45-54	Female	Enquiries / Licensing	55666	APS 4	Canberra	0.28	6	Assessed as business	Under APSC interim arrangements,	Extension was finalised prior to	29-Mar-14 to 25-Sep-

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			Officer						critical	extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	APSC interim arrangements	14
24	45-54	Male	Business and Process Analyst	93353	EL 1	Melbourne	0.81	9	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	1-Mar-14 to 28-Nov- 14
25	45-54	Male	Systems and Reporting Project Officer	84254	EL 1	Canberra	0.98	3	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	25-Dec-13 to 19-Mar- 14
26	45-54	Female	Executive Assistant	71679	APS 5	Melbourne	0.95	3	Assessed as business critical	Under APSC interim arrangements, extension request was not required to be submitted to APSC	Extension was finalised prior to APSC interim arrangements	16-Nov-13 to 11-Feb- 14