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Topic: Bureau staffing

Senator Conroy asked:

Dr Paterson: There have been no positions filled from outside the APS. There has been a small number filled from within the APS. I don't have the exact number to hand but certainly could provide that.

Mr Clarke: It is of the order of five—

Dr Paterson: Less than that.

Mr Clarke: Less than five transfers.

Senator CONROY: Which departments did they come from?

Dr Paterson: I believe it was from Prime Minister and Cabinet, the particular person I have in mind. But again those details could be provided.

Answer:

The following ongoing positions have been advertised in the Bureau (as at 23 June 2015):

Position	Employment type	Classification	Advertised	Outcome
Chief Economist	Ongoing	SES Band 2	21 February 2014 (advertised to the external community)	Engagement
Policy Officer, Market Analysis	Ongoing	APS Level 5	21 January 2015 (advertised within the APS)	Internal promotion
Assistant Director, Economics	Ongoing	Executive Level 1	19 February 2015 (advertised within the APS)	External transfer at level, Department of Immigration
Business Support Officer	Ongoing	APS Level 4	23 February 2015 (advertised within the APS)	No suitable candidate found
Senior Policy Officer	Ongoing	APS Level 6	24 March 2015 (advertised within the APS)	Internal promotion
Executive Assistant	Ongoing	APS Level 5	15 May 2015 (advertised within the APS)	Panel finalising assessment
Policy Officer, Data and Statistics	Ongoing	APS Level 5	29 May 2015	Selection process in progress