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Question: AET 1489-1495

Topic: Ministerial Staff Code

Written: 5 March 2014

Senator LUDWIG asked:

- 1489. Have there been any identified breaches of the Ministerial Staff Code of Conduct by the Minister, their office or the department?
 - (a) If so, list the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level
 - (b) If so, what remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?
 - (c) If so, when was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?
- 1490. Can the Minister confirm that all ministerial and electorate officers in their office comply fully with the ministerial staff code of conduct?
 - (a) If not, how many staff don't comply, broken down by classification level?
 - (b) How long have they worked for the Minister?
- 1491. Can you confirm they all complied with the code on the date of their employment?
 - (a) If not, on what date did they comply?
- 1492. Can you confirm that all disclosures as required by the code were made to the government staffing committee?
 - (a) If so, on what date were those disclosure made?
- 1493. By position title list the date each staff member was approved by government staff committee
- 1494. Can you confirm all staff have divested themselves of any and all relevant shares as of the date of their appointment
- 1495. Can you list by number if any staff have been granted exception by the SMOS to remain a director of a company as allowed by the Ministerial Staff Code of Conduct, break down by position level

Answer:

- 1489. The Special Minister of State will respond to this question on behalf of all agencies.
 - (a) NA
 - (b) NA
 - (c) NA

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