Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Department/Agency: ATO

Question: AET 39

Topic: SES officers who have worked at the big four accounting firms

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Senator: Ketter, Chris

Question:

ACTING CHAIR: in the last three years. So, of the current members of the SES at the ATO, how many worked for the big four accounting firms before coming to the ATO

Mr Jordan: I would have to take that on notice. Do you want that going back forever—if 30 years ago they did a year there, or is it recently? Some people might have worked somewhere 25 years ago and joined us, so it is bit hard.

ACTING CHAIR: Just in recent times.

Mr Jordan: So, if they have worked for them in recent times. Okay.

Answer:

During the period 1 January 2013 to 31 January 2016, five SES officers have been engaged from the big four accounting firms.