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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question: BET 63

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Senator WILLIAMS asked:

Senator WILLIAMS: Ms Gibson, I will take you back to the last estimates, in February, when I spoke to you about returning answers on time. I said: ‘Many of us received your returns today on questions on notice from last time’—today being 16 February—‘Senator Bushby and I received them today. Can we have these in a shorter period?’ That was my question, and you answered, ‘We can get that information for you promptly.’

CHAIR: Just one word of caution.

Senator WILLIAMS: That is what I am going to get to.

CHAIR: It goes to the minister’s office before it comes to the committee secretariat.

Senator WILLIAMS: Last Friday we got the response to those questions which was due at the end of March. Was that held up at your end or was it held up at the minister’s office? Do you know?

Ms Gibson: I do not know. I will need to take that on notice.

Senator WILLIAMS: You do not know when you gave it to the minister’s office?

Ms Gibson: I personally do not know.

Senator WILLIAMS: Can you find out for us? We have been trying to get hold of them earlier.

Ms Gibson: Yes.

Answer:

The responses from the 2012 Additional Estimates, referred to in the above question, were provided to the Committee on 3 May 2012.