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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY: Geoscience Australia

TOPIC: Redundancies

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Senator KETTER: I just have a few questions to ask. The first is in relation to the impact of the budget cuts from 2014. Since the last estimates, I understand that you have advised that there has been a total of 99 redundancies up until the end of April. I want to get an update on whether or not the 2014 cuts have led to any further redundancies.

Dr Pigram: The numbers that you had up to April are correct. Since that time, there have been a further 20 separations of which 17 were redundancies. Three employees were transferred to other government entities and were not paid a redundancy.

Senator KETTER: What did the 17 redundancies relate to?

Dr Pigram: Across a range of areas in the agency. I am not sure I have a breakdown of where precisely the last 17 occurred. They were all voluntary so they came from various areas and various projects within the agency.

Senator KETTER: Could I get a breakdown of the 17?

Dr Pigram: We will take that on notice and provide it to you. Do you want levels? What particular details would you like in that breakdown?

Senator KETTER: Just the particular part of the agency where the redundancy occurred.

Dr Pigram: Okay.

ANSWER

The 17 redundancies came from the following areas:

- ICT Innovation and Services: 7
- Community Safety and Earth Monitoring Division: 6
- Corporate: 2
- Resources Division: 2