

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000040

Senator Cameron asked on 11 February 2016 on proof Hansard page 8

Question

Pay percentage increase

Senator CAMERON: So there has been no increase since September 2013. How much percentage increase have you had since September 2013?

Ms Leon: The Remuneration Tribunal did not award any increases to secretaries over that period until December last year, and the percentage increase was two per cent, reflecting that that was the government's policy for the rest of the Public Service.

Senator CAMERON: And how much does that account for in terms of dollars for your salary?

Ms Leon: I do not know.

Senator CAMERON: Can you take that on notice.

Senator Cash: Can I just also confirm there—

Ms Leon: I am happy to get the Remuneration Tribunal's determination on the pay rise.

Senator CAMERON: Surely somebody knows. It is public record, isn't

Ms Leon: I am happy to table it. I am happy to provide the Remuneration Tribunal determination to you.

Senator Cash: Just on that, so people listening in do understand—

Senator CAMERON: That is not what I am asking. I am asking how much in dollar terms your salary has increased.

Ms Leon: I do not know.

Senator Cash: We can find that out for you, Senator Cameron,

Answer

The two percent increase in the Secretary's base salary that took effect from 1 January 2016 equates to \$9,681 gross per annum.