Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Agency – Fair Work Ombudsman

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000533

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

FWO - Communication staff

- 1. For all departments and agencies, please provide in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff the following:
- 2. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.
- 3. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location
- 4. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location
- 5. How many are graphic designers?
- 6. How many are media managers?
- 7. How many organise events?

Have these arrangements changed since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015? If yes, please detail.

Answer

As at 31 January 2016, the Fair Work Ombudsman had the following external communications and media staff:

Classification	Location			
	Melbourne	Sydney	Adelaide	Perth
Ongoing staff				
SES BAND 1	0.6	1	-	1
EL2	1	1	1	1
EL1	-	1.47	0.6	1
APS6	2.8	2	-	-
APS5	2.85	2	-	-
APS4	1	-	0.4	-
APS3	-	1	-	-
Non-ongoing staff				
APS5	1	-	-	-

The Fair Work Ombudsman's communications and media staff undertake the following duties:

- communications activities (digital and strategic)
- implementation of Government 2.0 including social media engagement

- preparation and dissemination of media materials to promote the services and work of the agency, to educate workplace participants and as a general deterrent to workplace breaches.
- respond to media enquiries
- staff employed as SES Band 1, EL2 and EL1 also manage staff.

The Fair Work Ombudsman does not have any media or communications staff engaged as contractors or graphic designers.

The Fair Work Ombudsman has one media manager.

No dedicated staff are tasked with organising events.