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Question

Industrial advocate

Senator CAMERON: How long is the industrial advocate unavailable?

Mr Wyers: A number of weeks. But they have replaced him with a different advocate. It is just a matter of finding a time. Because they are participating in multiple bargaining, it is just a matter of finding a date that allows them to participate in the other bargaining processes as well as ours.

Senator CAMERON: When you say a number of weeks, can you be more specific?

Mr Wyers: I would have to check. I think it is five or six, from memory. But we will not be delaying for five or six weeks.

Answer

The CPSU industrial advocate advised that he would be unavailable from the end of May 2015 to mid-July 2015.