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Question

Curriculum review appointments

Senator O'NEILL: Did the department provide advice to the government about a range of acknowledged experts in the field? .. Mr Cook: Yes, the department, as it would normally do around an appointment process like this, has provided a number of names to the minister. Senator O'NEILL: And you did that on this occasion? Mr Cook: That is correct. Ms Paul: Yes. Senator O'NEILL: So there were additional people who could have been selected by the minister? Mr Cook: As there always would be around an appointment process. Senator O'NEILL: Roughly how many people would you normally recommend? Ms Paul: I think we have been through this before, and I think we took it on notice. We will probably have to do that again—unless you know? Mr Cook: No. Ms Paul: We will take it on notice if you like, again, but I think we may have answered it, possibly in the February estimates. Mr Cook: Yes, because we would have done this last year. We actually did the briefing last year. Senator O'NEILL: I cannot recall receiving the list of the people that you recommended though. Mr Cook: I am not sure we can give you the list. Ms Paul: No, we would not have, because that would have been advice to the minister, but it was the number that I thought we had. Anyway, let us take it on notice again.

Answer

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