## Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2015-16

## Finance Portfolio 9 February 2016

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance

Outcome/Program: General

**Topic:** Departmental Staff Misconduct

**Senator:** Ludwig

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## **Question:**

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:

- 1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct.
- 2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff? If yes:
  - a) List the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level.
  - b) What remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?
  - c) When was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?
  - d) Were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.

## **Answer:**

- 1. The department does not have its own staff Code of Conduct. All Finance employees must comply with the APS Code of Conduct.
- 2. No breaches of the APS Code of Conduct have been identified.