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**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Wong, Penny

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**Question:**

Senator WONG: Can I just ask this question—it might have been asked in question time; I have been busy or otherwise engaged—when did the Prime Minister first become aware? Senator McGrath: I will have to take that on notice.

**Answer:**

The Prime Minister, the Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP, and his office became aware of the story around the time of the media reports.