

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee  
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2017**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **New catering arrangements**

Question: **41**

Written **Senator Wong**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 13 April 2017**

1. Taking into account the figure provided by the Chief Operating Officer, Ms Croke, in her letter to the committee dated Friday 10 March 2016, indicating that 12 former IHG staff have been employed under the new catering arrangements with a possible additional 2 to commence, can the Department of Parliamentary Staff clarify how many IHG staff did not continue employment at Parliament House when the Department of Parliamentary Services took control of catering operations?
2. What entitlements were available to these staff?
3. Were the staff entitled to any form of redundancy?

**Answer**

1. DPS does not have access to information regarding IHG staff, other than those who applied for positions with DPS.
2. DPS does not have access to entitlement information for IHG staff.
3. DPS is unaware of IHG's termination arrangements.