

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

- 1) Can the functions of the Cabinet Office be outlined?
- 2) Can the Prime Minister confirm the Cabinet Office is staffed by MOP(S) Act staff?
- 3) Are all MOP(S) Act staff in the Cabinet Office bound by the Statement of Standards for Ministerial Staff?

Answer:

- 1) The Cabinet Office supports the Cabinet Secretary. See PM93 for advice on the role of the Cabinet Secretary.
- 2) Yes
- 3) See PM 230.