Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-2015

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome/Program:

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies.

Topic: Lobbyist Register Meetings

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Question:

- (1) List all interactions between the department/agency with any representative listed on the lobbyist register since Additional Estimates in February 2014. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting.
- (2) List all interactions between the Minister/parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with any representative listed on the lobbyist register since Additional Estimates in February 2014. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting?

Answer:

- (1) From Additional Estimates in February 2014 to 26 May 2014, the Office has not knowingly had any interactions with any representative listed on the lobbyist register, in their capacity as a lobbyist.
- (2) The Special Minister of State will answer on behalf of all Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio agencies