Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian National Audit Office

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Red tape reduction

Senator: Ludwig

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Question:

- 1. Please detail what structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets?
 - a) What is the progress of that red tape reduction target
- 2. How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level?
- 3. How have they been recruited?
- 4. What process was used for their appointment?
- 5. What is the total cost of this unit?
- 6. What is the estimated total salary cost of the officers assigned to the unit.
- 7. Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents?
- 8. Lease list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body.
- 9. What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department?

Answer:

Q1 - Q9. Nil to all questions. The ANAO has not specifically dedicated officials, taskforces or processes in order to meet the Government's red tape reduction target.

The ANAO indirectly contributes to the Government's initiative through our performance audit programme and promoting better administrative practices which aid in the reduction of red tape.