# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017

### Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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#### **Question:**

Senator WONG: Sure. When was Dr Parkinson aware that the budget would be brought

forward?

Ms Kelly: I cannot answer that question, but I am happy to take it on notice.

#### **Answer:**

Dr Parkinson cannot recall the exact date that he became aware that the bringing forward of the Budget was under consideration. He became aware that the decision had been finally made when it was publicly announced by the Prime Minister.