

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee — Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2017

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **APH visitor sign-in records**

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Senator KITCHING: I would like to ask a question about a particular person who was signed in to Parliament House. Firstly, do you keep a record of a person who is signed in and who signs them in?

Mr Stefanic: Are you referring to visitors who come in through, say, the main entrance or the Senate or the Reps entrance?

Senator KITCHING: The Senate or the Reps entrances, yes.

Mr Stefanic: The logs are kept—for a period of time I do not know.

Senator KITCHING: For how long?

Mr Cooper: I would have to take that on notice. I am sorry I do not know how long.

Senator KITCHING: It is a week or a month?

Mr Cooper: It would be longer than that.

Senator KITCHING: Is it FOI-able?

Mr Stefanic: No.

Senator KITCHING: But it would be longer; maybe a month, let's say.

Mr Cooper: I expect it is longer than that. But I do not know the length of time.

Senator KITCHING: If you could find that out that would be great.

Answer

APH visitor sign-in records are stored electronically for a period of seven years.