

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Senator the Hon Jan McLucas

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Question:

Since the election, has there been any change to these assessment processes and decision making arrangements? If so, where did the initiative to make these changes come from – was it from the department to the Minister, from the Minister, or his staff, to the department? Or did it come from the Prime Minister or his office via the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet?

Answer:

As is usual practice any delegation of decision making is confirmed with a new Minister and changes are made accordingly.