

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Senator: Ludwig

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Question:

Senator LUDWIG: Did that decision about the agreement with the Palmer United Party go to cabinet? I am not asking about what went to cabinet; I am just asking: did it go to cabinet and what date did it go to cabinet?

Senator Cormann: The decision went through all of the appropriate and established internal processes of government. To the extent that I can add any further detail to that I will take it on notice and see whether we can assist you with any further detail. I can confirm that I was obviously very much involved in conducting the actual negotiations together with the Treasurer. We took a recommendation through the appropriate internal processes of government to get endorsement of the position that we have been able to achieve.

Senator LUDWIG: Just so that we are clear, what you are going to take on notice is: when and at what time Finance received the costings for these amendments for Finance's agreement—

Senator Cormann: Yes.

Answer:

Costings were received and agreed by the Department of Finance on 29 August 2014 for the Schoolkids Bonus and Income Support Bonus components and on 1 September 2014 for the Low Income Super Contribution component.