

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing—October 2014**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Appointments**

Question: **232**

Written: **Senator Ludwig**

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 31 December 2014

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Please detail any board appointments made from to date.
2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?
3. Has the department instigated or changed its gender ratio target and/or any other policy intended to increase the participation rate of women on boards? If yes, please specify what the target and policy is for each board.
4. Please specify when these gender ratio or participation policies were changed.

Answer

1. As at 30 September 2014:
 - Security Management Board (SMB) – Nil.
 - Parliamentary Information and Communication Technology Advisory Board (PICTAB) – Nil.
2. As at 30 September 2014, the gender ratio for each board was:
 - SMB – 100% (3) female, 0 male.
 - PICTAB – 38% (3) female, 62% (5) male.

The gender ratio for DPS is 1 female: 1.7 male (based on total staff as at 30 June 2014).

3. No.
4. Not applicable.

Note: the Heritage advisory Board (HAB) held its last meeting on 12 June 2014 and ceased to exist after 30 June 2014.