

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 Penny Wong

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Question:

Senator WONG: It has been reported that the Prime Minister's office overturned the recommendation from Mr Turnbull that the former SBS chair be reappointed for a second term. Is that correct?

Senator Abetz: That is not for the department. That would be for the PMO. There would be for me. I am happy to take that on notice, but discussions between minister and Prime Minister on these matters are on a confidential basis. I would doubt that any definitive answer would be given on that, but I will take it on notice.

Answer:

No.