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Question:

Can the Office provide any comments on the reasons for the decline in the proportion of women on government boards in the 2 year period to 30 June 2015?

Answer:

Consistent with the smaller Government agenda, there has been a decrease in the number of boards and board positions, which has contributed to the decline.