

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Group: 1

Program: General

Question: BE14/099

Senator Singh asked the following question at the hearing on 26-29 May 2014:

1. Did Mr Wilkins advise the Attorney-General of the expiry of his appointment as Secretary?
2. When did that take place?
3. When did the Attorney-General advise Mr Wilkins whether or not he would be reappointed?
4. What process was undertaken to identify suitable candidates?
5. Has Mr Wilkins been advised by the Attorney-General whether his appointment will end on 31 August?
6. Has the Department begun a selection process to fill Mr Wilkins' position?
7. Has the job vacancy been advertised on apsjobs.gov.au?
8. Have advertisements been placed in newspapers?
9. Have selection criteria been developed?
10. What legal experience does the present Secretary Mr Wilkins have?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

This is a matter for the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.