

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates

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Question: BET 212

Topic: Private Press Briefing – Resource Super Profits Tax

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Senator ABETZ asked:

1. Did the Treasury provide a private briefing to journalists about the RSPT on 12 May 2010? If so:
 - a) How many journalists were there?
 - b) Who were they?
 - c) How were they invited/chosen?
 - d) Which Treasury officials attended the briefing?
 - e) Did anyone attend from the Treasurer's office?
 - f) Were journalists allowed to tape the briefing?
 - g) Is there a transcript available?
 - If so, can the Committee be provided with a copy.

Answer:

A post-Budget morning tea briefing was held between staff from Treasury, the Treasurer's office and a variety of journalists on 12 May 2010.

The morning tea was private and not taped.