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Senator Cormann asked:

Senator CORMANN: Are there any limitations on the type of advice that can be provided under this classification of intrafund advice?

Ms Vroombout: Yes.

Senator CORMANN: What are the limitations?

Ms Vroombout: I do not have the detail with me. As I say, they are still subject to government consideration.

Senator Sherry: The advice to government is being finalised.

Senator CORMANN: To the extent that you can share that with us on notice it would be very much appreciated.

Answer:

- On 8 December 2011 the Government announced that the following types of advice would be specifically excluded from the definition of intra-fund advice:
 - Advice relating to whether the member should consolidate their existing superannuation accounts
 - Advice to switch the member away from the superannuation fund into another superannuation fund except to the extent the advice relates to moving the member from an accumulation product into a retirement product offered by the same registrable superannuation entity
 - Advice that contains recommendations in relation to financial products that the member holds outside of superannuation

 Advice in relation to investment choice outside of the trustee-prescribed investment options.