Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO OUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Topic: Timing of Questions on Notice

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Senator Faulkner asked: Can you indicate to the committee when the first iteration of these answers [to questions taken at the last hearing] went to the Prime Minister's Office?

Answer: The first draft responses to the majority of questions on notice from the 3 and 4 November hearing were forwarded to the Prime Minister's Office in mid-December 2003. There was a delay in finalsing these responses due to the absence of key personnel during the Christmas/New Year period.