

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Additional Estimates Hearings 2005-2006, 13 February 2006

Question: PM 1, PM 2, PM 3

Outcome 1

Topic: Questions on matters before the Cole Commission

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Senator Faulkner asked: Dr Morauta, when were you informed of the government decision in relation to this matter?

Senator Ray asked: Were you informed in writing, if you were so informed?

Senator Ray asked: Have you communicated this ruling to anyone else in the department?

Answer:

Dr Morauta was made aware of the government's decision on 7 February 2006 when she received a copy of the Cabinet Minute recording the decision. The Government's decision was conveyed by way of the Cabinet Minute to relevant PM&C officers.