Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Finance and Administration

Additional Estimates Hearing – February 2007

Question: F18

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Topic: Accommodation for the Hon John Cobb MP, Assistant Minister for

Community Services, Member for Parkes

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Senator Faulkner asked:

When did you get the nod and the wink from the minister and how was this indication communicated? When was this indication provided to the department?

Answer:

The Special Minister of State indicated at a meeting with Ministerial and Parliamentary Services officials, on 9 February 2007, that he was prepared to agree to Mr Cobb's request, and would await the formal briefing submission from the Department of Finance and Administration to confirm his approval.