Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2012-2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome/Program: 1

Topic: Protective Security Policy Framework

Senator: Ryan

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Question:

Provide an update for your department/agency, including:

- (1) What is your current compliance level
- (2) What are you doing to manage risk, and
- (3) What is being done to comply with the mandatory requirements and details of any department/agency specific policies and procedures.

Answer:

- (1) The Office complies with key requirements of the Protective Security Policy Framework (PSPF) and is taking steps to ensure full compliance by 30 June 2013.
- (2) Risks associated with the PSPF are considered at the strategic risk management level by Office senior management and are periodically reviewed and reported upon.
- (3) Work is being undertaken to ensure the Office is fully compliant by 30 June 2013. The Office maintains a range of policies and procedures to ensure compliance with mandatory PSPF requirements, and which are included in our Office *Security Plan*.