

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Topic: Termination of Secretaries

Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

With reference to the answer to question on notice 85 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round:

Why has the Department refused to answer questions about steps taken to terminate departmental secretaries, including, inconsistent with longstanding practice, the date/s on which advice is provided to the Prime Minister and his office?

Will the Department answer all parts of question on notice 85 asked in November 2013?

Answer:

I refer to the answer to PM85 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates, 18-22 November 2013.