

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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**Topic:** Appointment of the Governor-General

**Senator:** Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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**Question:**

With reference to the answer to question on notice 116 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round:

Why has the Department not documented all communications with the Office of the Prime Minister related to the appointment of the Governor-General?

Can details of all documented communications be provided?

**Answer:**

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet will from time to time have discussions with the Office of the Prime Minister on a range of matters, including the appointment of the Governor-General. Whether such communications are documented will depend on the circumstances.