Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates 24-28 February 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1 Prime Minister and Cabinet

Topic: Staffing reductions - Indigenous Affairs All Agency

Senator: Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig

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Question:

- 1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?
- 2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.
- 3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.
- 4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.
- 5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.
- 6. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?
- 7. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?

Answer:

To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of limited agency resources.