

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES (ADDITIONAL HEARINGS) 2013-2014**

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

**Outcome/Program:**

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies.

**Topic:** Ministerial Staff Turnover

**Senator:** Senator Ludwig

**Question reference number:** 212

**Type of question:** Written

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**Question:**

- (1) List the current staffing allocation for each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary.
- (2) For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff recruited, broken down by their staffing classification.
- (3) For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff that have resigned, broken down by their staffing classification.
- (4) For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff that have been terminated, broken down by their staffing classification.
- (5) For each Ministerial staff position, please provide a table of how many individual people have been engaged against each position since the swearing in of the Abbott Government, broken down by employing member and the dates of their employment?

**Answer:**

- (1) The Special Minister of State will answer on behalf of all Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio agencies.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Not applicable.

(4) Not applicable.

(5) Not applicable.