

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Finance and Administration Portfolio**

**Department of Finance and Administration**

Budget Estimates Hearing – May 2006

**Question: F34**

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**Topic: MOP(S) employees – the Hon Andrew Robb MP**

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**Senator Ray asked:**

My second question is whether any of those eight are subject to a personal classification. The third question is whether any of those eight, but specifically the two senior advisers, are being paid outside the salary band. The fourth question is what is the total estimates staff cost per financial year of these eight positions. That can only be a figure based, I assume, on one month multiplied by 12. In other words, you cannot guarantee the figure, but you should be able to give us an estimate as you did with Senator Boswell's 10 staff.

**Answer:**

There is one (1) employee of the Hon Andrew Robb MP who holds a personal classification. Both of the two (2) Senior Advisers are paid within the relevant salary band.

The estimated annual staff cost for the eight positions as at 1 May 2006 is \$780,712\*.

\* This amount includes salary and allowances (Ministerial Staff Allowance or Parliamentary Staff Allowance and Allowance in lieu of a Private-Plated Vehicle) but does not include any other employee on-costs (e.g. superannuation).