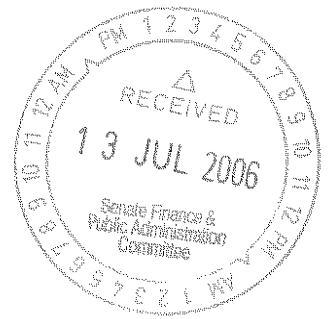




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Dear Mr Sands

**RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE
2005-06 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS – 22-23 MAY 2006**

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet appeared at Budget Estimates on 22 and 23 May 2006. The department took 32 questions on notice.

Twelve responses have been forwarded to your previously (PM15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22-24, 25, 27-28 & 30). Attached are the responses to PM 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12-14, 17, 18, 26 & 29. The department will provide the remaining 7 responses as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

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