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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator Evans asked: When was he (Mr McClintock) formally appointed as Chairman of (the COAG Reform Council)? and When was Mr Paul McClintock appointed as Chairman of Medibank Private?

Answer: The Prime Minister wrote to the Premiers and Chief Ministers on 14 December 2006 nominating Paul McClintock as Chairman of the CRC. Following the receipt of responses from Premiers and Chief Ministers, the Prime Minister wrote to Mr McClintock, and the other nominees, on 10 March 2007 formally inviting them to join the CRC.

The Department of Finance and Administration has advised that the Minister for Finance and Administration, Senator the Hon Nick Minchin, wrote to Mr Paul McClintock on 14 March 2007 to formally appoint him as Chairman of Medibank Private for a period of 3 years effective from 19 March 2007.