Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates for 2009-10 (May 2009)

Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General Outcome/Output Group:

Outcome 1: The Governor-General is enabled to perform the constitutional, statutory, ceremonial and public duties associated with the appointment.

Output Group 1.1 – Support of the Governor-General,

Output Group 1.2 – Administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system

Topic: Briefings of Governor-General

Senator: ABETZ

Question reference number: PM4

Type of question: Hansard, 25 May p.64

Senator ABETZ—If there were to be another such meeting, are you able to tell us whether the request would be made direct to the heads of department or whether it would be made via the minister's office?

Mr Brady—I hear what you are telling me, Senator. Let me think.

Senator ABETZ—All right. If you could take that on notice.

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Answer:

In the event such a meeting is held again, relevant ministers' offices will be consulted, as appropriate, by heads of department or this Office.