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Senator ABETZ-I return to the Crown Casino. We agreed that the Prime Minister did dine at the Nobu restaurant?

Senator ABETZ-I am asking one question at a time. That is not in dispute. Is it in dispute that any of the Prime Minister's personal staff were also at the dinner?

Senator Ludwig-I am not aware of whether they were.

Senator ABETZ-Can you take that on notice, please.

Senator Ludwig-I can certainly take it on notice.

Answer: This was a private function held by the former Prime Minister, the Hon Kevin Rudd MP and there is no advice available on whether personal staff from the then Prime Minister's office attended this function.