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Senator: Fifield

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Question: He [Mr Crook] was elected at the same time as Mr Wilkie. I am wondering what

has changed in the intervening period?

Answer:

The Department of Finance and Deregulation was advised by the Prime Minister's office in a letter dated 1 March 2011 that the Prime Minister had made a decision to allocate personal staff positions to Mr Tony Crook MP on the recommendation of the Government Staffing Committee.