## Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013

## Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian National Audit Office

**Outcome/Program:** 

**Topic:** Staffing - reduction

**Senator:** Ryan

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## **Question:**

1. Are there any plans for staff reduction? If so, please advise details ie. Reduction target, how this will be achieved, services/programs to be cut etc.

2. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.

## Answer:

- Q1. The ANAO expects to manage its work program within the budget estimates for 2012-13 without a reduction in staffing. Planning is in progress to manage the cumulative effect of the efficiency dividends and price increases in the out years 2013-14, 2014-15. This is likely to require staffing reductions which will be achieved through natural attrition.
- Q2. See above.