## Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

# ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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### **Question:**

Senator SINODINOS: I refer to the review undertaken by the Treasury of its budget forecasting. Did the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet provide any contribution by way of resources or make a submission to the review? Without going to the content of what you may have said, were you consulted?

Senator Conroy: You can ask whether they were consulted. I have no problem with that.

Mr Hazlehurst: I do not recall. We certainly did not make a formal submission and we certainly did not contribute any resources. I will need to take on notice whether we actually had a meeting with those undertaking the review. I do not recall one.

#### **Answer:**

The Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet did not meet with the team at Treasury that undertook the review.