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Senator: Senator Payne

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Question:

Senator PAYNE: Thank you very much. You gave me, as you mentioned earlier, a breakdown of staffing levels for COAG functions over the 2011-12 financial year and up to February 2013 for the 2012-13 financial year. You indicated to me earlier that we were going from ASL12 to ASL10. Is that the indication for the figures for the entirety of this financial year about to conclude?

Mr Hazlehurst: That is the current staffing levels as opposed to the full financial year staffing levels. If you would like those separately I imagine that we can provide that.

Senator PAYNE: Thank you.

Mr Hazlehurst: I do not have a full financial year number that I can give you, particularly given that we are not at the end of the financial year.

Senator PAYNE: I understand that. If you can come back to me on that, that would be good. I understand that answers to questions on notice are due 12 July.

Answer:

The Commonwealth-State Relations Branch of PM&C was staffed across the period 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 at 9.9 Average Staffing Level (ASL).

Position Level	2012-13
APS4	1.4
APS5	0.3
APS6	0.9
EL1	3.3
EL2	3.0
SESB1	1.0
Total	9.9