

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Supplementary Budget Estimates 15-18 October 2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Outcome/Program:** 1.1.3 Support Services for Government Operations

**Topic:** Grants Pause - Information on Cessation of Pause

**Senator:** Senator Ryan

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**Question:**

Has your department been provided with information regarding when the grants pause would end?

- a) If so, what was the date?
- b) Was your department advised if it could communicate when the grants pause would end to grant applicants?

**Answer:**

The pause on grant programs ended with the release of the 2012-13 MYEFO. The outcome of the Government's decision was reported in the 2012-13 MYEFO and the Finance Minister's media release of 22 October 2012.

Agencies were advised on 22 October 2012 they could communicate the end of the grants pause.