

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – 11 FEBRUARY 2016 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: FOI requests

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Senator: Ludwig

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Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- a) How many requests for documents under the FOI Act have been received?
- b) Of these, how many documents have been determined to be deliberative documents?
- c) Of those assessed as deliberative documents:
 - 1) For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest?
 - 2) For how many has a redacted document been provided?

Answer:

- a) See response to HS 112.
- b) It would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources to review all FOI requests to determine how many documents within the scope of each request are determined to be deliberative.
- c) Please refer to response provided at (b).