Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs Question No: 948

Topic: Staffing reductions

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Senator Ludwig asked:

- a) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.
- b) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.
- c) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.

Answer:

Aged Care Commissioner Office of the Aged Care Commissioner

Nil Input

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Nil Input

Australian Aged Care Quality Agency

Nil Input

Australian Institute of Family Studies

- a. No
- b. Staff reductions will occur due to natural attrition
- c. No

National Disability Insurance Agency

There are no plans for staff reductions/voluntary redundancies.

Social Security Appeals Tribunal

- a. No
- b. No
- c. No

Department of Social Services

- a) Yes. No targets have been set.
- b) The DSS projected staff reductions are in line with the Department's forward estimates.
- c) DSS has no plans for involuntary redundancies.