Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 1 JUNE 2017 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Departmental Staffing

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Senator: Pratt

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Question:

a) Senator PRATT: What Australian Public Service classification do you expect most of those staff reductions to come from?

Ms Campbell: I do not think we have that. We could give you the profile of our staff. We are not targeting any area in particular. We could probably give you the profile of the different numbers of staff at different levels, if that is useful.

Senator PRATT: Yes, that would be useful. I am happy for you to put that on notice.

b) Can you give us a breakdown of the profile of the Centrelink/DHS workforce as a whole across the different profiles?

Ms Campbell: The difficulty is I will have this in headcount but not in full-time equivalents, which is what is used to determine ASL.

Senator PRATT: If you could provide it in the form that you can on notice with a headcount for each of the levels in the APS classification system that would be great.

Answer:

a) and b)

The total headcount of employees in the Department by substantive classification and employment profile as at 31 May 2017 is outlined in the table below.

Substantive classification	Total headcount
APS Trainee (includes Trainees, Graduates, Cadets and Apprentices)	277
APS1	171
APS2	211
APS3	7,006

APS4	14,257
APS5	3,434
APS6	5,438
EL1	2,448
EL2	816
SES	163
Total headcount	34,221