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Question No: 169(a)

Program 1.1

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Topic: Staffing recruitment

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

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

1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited? What classification are these staff?
2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created? What classification are these staff?
3. How many staff have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Answer:

1. Since 14 September 2015, the Department has recruited 42 ongoing staff (including ongoing employees on temporary transfer). A breakdown of these 42 staff by classification is as follows:

Classification	Number of staff
APS1	0
APS2	0
APS3	7
APS4	2
APS5	7
APS6	8
EL1	6
EL2	6
SES1	5
SES2	1
SES3	0
Total	42

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2. Between 14 September 2015 and 29 January 2016, the number of non-ongoing positions (by classification) at the Department is as follows:

Classification	Number of staff
APS1	5
APS2	1
APS3	3
APS4	16
APS5	3
APS6	4
EL1	9
EL2	3
SES1	0
SES2	0
SES3	0
Total	44

3. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.