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Topic: Communications Staff

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:

- 1. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.
- 2. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location
- 3. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location
- 4. How many are graphic designers?
- 5. How many are media managers?
- 6. How many organise events?
- 7. Have these arrangements changed since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015? If yes, please detail.

Answer:

- 1. nbn has 28 communications, public relations and media staff based in capital cities. Their roles cover corporate communication (eight staff), state corporate affairs (eight staff), social media (six staff) and internal communications (six staff). nbn staff are not subject to APS classifications.
- 2. See above.
- 3. Not applicable.
- 4. nbn engages one firm in Sydney for public relations work.
- 5. Nil.
- 6. Six.
- 7. Staff from across the Corporate Affairs division are called upon to organise events when and where appropriate.
- 8. Yes. 29 staff at 14 September 2015.