# **Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

## **Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

## **Additional Estimates Hearings February 2016**

### **Communications Portfolio**

### **Australian Broadcasting Corporation**

Question No: 225(b)

**Australian Broadcasting Corporation** 

Hansard Ref: Written, 19/02/2016

**Topic: FOI Statistics** 

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:

- 1. How many FOI requests were received to date?
- 2. How many of those requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act?
- 3. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act?
- 4. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act?
- 5. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?

#### **Answer:**

The following answers relate to the period from 14 September 2015 to 19 February 2016:

- 1. 17
- 2. 12 requests were finalised within 30 days (includes 7 matters that were withdrawn or deemed to be withdrawn). Three matter are in progress and not yet due.
- 3. Two. One matter was finalised within the agreed period of the extension; the second matter is in progress and not yet due.
- 4. None.
- 5. Two. Both matters were finalised within two days of the date the decision was due.