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Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

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Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 688

Program No. Corporate

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Staffing recruitment

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. How many ongoing staff were recruited from 25 February 2014 to date? What classification are these staff?
2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 25 February 2014 to date? What classification are these staff?
3. From 25 February 2014 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Answer:

1. No ongoing staff were recruited between 25 February 2014 and 30 April 2014.
2. Including casual positions, a total of 27 non-ongoing positions existed at 25 February 2014 reducing to 22 at 30 April 2014, as shown in the table below:

Classification	At 25/02/2014	At 30/04/2014
APS1		1
APS4	9	4
APS5	1	1
APS6	4	2
EL1	8	8
EL2	3	4
SESB1	1	1
SESB3	1	1
Total	27	22

3. From 25 February 2014 to 30 April 2014, eight employees have been employed on non-ongoing contracts and the average length of their employment period of 0.34 months.