

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Division/Agency: Australian Bureau of Statistics

Question No: 61

Topic: Recruitment of Head Statistician

Reference: Hansard Pages 118-119 (19 October 2016)

Senator: Ketter, Chris

Question:

Senator KETTER: Okay. Are you able to tell us why the position of head statistician was left vacant for so long?

Senator Ryan: Has that been covered in a previous estimates?

Mr Kalisch: I think it was—before I came.

Senator Ryan: I will take that on notice. I do not know that it is fair to ask the Statistician. I think it has been covered at the previous estimates."

Answer:

These matters were covered in Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-15 (October 2014).

Please refer to the record of the Australian Bureau of Statistics' appearance on Wednesday, 22 October 2014.

Please also refer to Treasury's response to question SBT4273, subsequent to that appearance.