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Senator: Ludwig

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Question:

Senator LUDWIG: Are the scoping studies done by the Department of Finance?

Senator Cormann: The Department of Finance leads the scoping study project, for want of a better word, but we have contracted those scoping studies out to relevant experts through a competitive process, and relevant announcements have been made along the way. On notice—I have not got them, although perhaps Mr Edge might be able to assist you if you want to know who conducted which scoping study.

Senator LUDWIG: I am happy to take that on notice and you can provide that detail.

Answer:

As at 31 March 2015 advisers appointed to the scoping studies are:

ICON Scoping Study	
Business Adviser	KPMG
Legal Adviser	King & Wood Mallesons
Accommodation Scoping Study	
Business Adviser	PricewaterhouseCoopers
Legal Adviser	Ashurst Australia
Royal Australian Mint Scoping Study	
Business Adviser	CIMB Corporate Finance (Australia) Ltd*
Legal Adviser	King and Wood Mallesons
ASIC Registry Scoping Study	
Business Adviser	Greenhill & Co. Australia Pty Ltd
Legal Adviser	Ashurst Australia
Defence Housing Scoping Study	
Business Adviser	Lazard
Legal Adviser	Ashurst Australia
Australian Hearing Scoping Study	
Business Adviser	PricewaterhouseCoopers
Legal Adviser	Herbert Smith Freehills

^{*}Consistent with advice to the Department of Finance, CIMB Corporate Finance (Australia) Ltd has now ceased operations in Australia.