

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2016

## Answers to Questions on Notice

### Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Staffing recruitment**

Question: **190**

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Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited? What classification are these staff?
2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created? What classification are these staff?
3. How many staff have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

#### Answer

1. In the period 14 September 2015 to 29 February 2016, a total of 29 ongoing employees were recruited. Their classifications is in the table below:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Total</b>
PSL2	
PSL3	2
PSL4	4
PSL4/5	1
PSL5	3
PSL5/6	3
PSL6	2
PEL1	6
PEL2	2
SES1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>

2. At 14 September 2015, there was a total of 146 non-ongoing staff. This increased to 156 non-ongoing staff (including the Secretary and Parliamentary Librarian, who are appointed for a fixed term) as at 29 February 2016. The classifications of non-ongoing staff as at 29 February 2016 is in the table below:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Total</b>
PSL1	9
PSL1/2	49
PSL2	22
PSL3	17
PSL4	16
PSL4/5	3
PSL5	2
PSL5/6	7
PSL6	9
PEL1	17
PEL2	2
SES2	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>154</b>

The Department has two statutory offices for which officeholders are engaged for a fixed term period. They are outlined in the table below:

Parliamentary Librarian	1
Secretary	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>

3. In the period 14 September 2015 to 29 February 2016 a total of 50 employees (inclusive of casuals and sessional employees) have been employed on a non-ongoing employment contract. The average length of their employment period is 9.1 months (exclusive of casuals).