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Question:

Senator WONG: Does he attend all cabinet and cabinet committee meetings?

Ms Cass: The cabinet secretary, Simon Atkinson, attends as a note taker in cabinet meetings and cabinet committee meetings.

Senator WONG: I understand that. Does he attend all cabinet committee and cabinet meetings?

Ms Cass: I think that is the case. I will check that for you and take it on notice.

Answer:

The Cabinet Secretary attends all meetings of the Cabinet and its committees as a note taker, with the exception of the Service Delivery and Co-ordination Committee (SDCC). The Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cabinet attends SDCC as the note taker.