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**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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**Senator:** Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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**Question:**

**Senator WONG:** Are you aware, as the Minister representing the Prime Minister, of how it is that the *Daily Telegraph* came to be briefed to that effect?

**Senator Cormann:** I am not aware, but I am happy to seek further advice and see whether I can assist the committee further.

**Answer:**

The Department is not aware. Relevant staff in the Prime Minister's Office who would normally be expected to know of discussions with the media are also unaware.