

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 18-22 November 2013

### Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Outcome/Program:** Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Topic:** Machinery of Government - staff movements

**Senator:** Senator the Hon Jan McLucas

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**Question:**

Senator McLUCAS: I wonder if we could get a document that describes the actual number of staff who have moved from various places—staff exiting from other departments and going to Prime Minister and Cabinet—and their functions as well, what they do.

Ms Carroll: Yes. Ms Kelly might be able to give you some overarching numbers, but that breakdown we could certainly look at getting for you—

Senator McLUCAS: Because of our time constraints, I wonder if Ms Kelly would provide it to the committee as a document.

Ms Kelly: Certainly. The transfer of staff has not actually occurred as yet. It does not occur until 5 December. So, whilst we know the number is approximately 1,800, that sort of information will not be available in final form until 5 December.

Senator McLUCAS: If we could have it then, that would be great. Thank you.

**Answer:**

Please find below, a table of incoming staff numbers by department and function, as at 5 December 2013.

<b>Incoming Department</b>	<b>Number of Staff</b>	<b>Function</b>
Attorney-General's Department	33	30 Indigenous Affairs 3 corporate support
Department of Communications	10	Indigenous Affairs
<b>Incoming Department</b>	<b>Number of Staff</b>	<b>Function</b>
Department of Education	104	88 Indigenous Affairs

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		16 corporate support
Department of Employment	349	321 Indigenous Affairs 28 corporate support
Department of Environment	48	Indigenous Affairs
Department of Health	62	57 Indigenous Affairs 5 corporate support
Department of Industry	9	Indigenous Affairs
Department of Social Services	21	Office for Women
Department of Finance	48	25 Deregulation 19 Office of Best Practice Regulation 4 corporate support
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>684</b>	

Further staff will transfer from the Department of Social Services by the end of 2013.