## Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

# ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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### Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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### **Question:**

Senator McALLISTER: Senator Brandis, can you inform the committee if the Prime Minister is satisfied that Mr Robb, Mr Macfarlane and Mr Baldwin are in compliance with the ministerial code of conduct?

Senator Brandis: I think the Prime Minister has already had something to say in relation to Mr Robb, but I will just check his transcript. In relation to the other two, I have no reason to believe that he is not. I am not aware of any public comments he may have made, so I will check that as well.

#### **Answer:**

The Prime Minister, the Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP, expects all his Ministers (and former Ministers, where appropriate) to comply with the Statement of Ministerial Standards. Governments of both persuasions generally do not comment on the cases of individual Ministers (or former Ministers).