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DEEWR Question No. EW0283_10

Senator Ronaldson asked on 2 June 2009, EEWR Hansard page 79.

Question

Volume of speeches written by external speechwriter

Senator RONALDSON—How much of the slack did Dr Glover take up? Did he become the major speechwriter? What was his role?

Ms Paul—We do have statistics on that, which I can bring in. There have been hundreds and hundreds of speeches in the portfolio and he took a part of them but it would not be the majority of them.

Answer

From 4 February 2008 to 2 June 2009, Dr Glover wrote 71 of the 555 speeches provided by the department to portfolio ministers.