Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator Faulkner asked: On how many days did Mr Cousins visit the office in Phillip Street?

Answer: Mr Cousins provides advice on an ad hoc basis at the Prime Minister's initiative; this can involve face to face meetings or discussions over the telephone. Under his consultancy agreement, Mr Cousins has access to the Commonwealth Parliamentary Offices in Sydney, or other cities, if required.