

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Question: PM 71

Outcome 1, Output 4

Topic: National Security Campaign

Direct on Notice

Senator Faulkner asked:

- 1. In order to ascertain the needs of older Australians and people with disabilities in relation to the anti-terrorist kit 'Let's Look Out for Australia', did the government consult with the aged care or disability sectors in developing, producing and distributing the kit?**
- 2. If not, why not?**
- 3. What arrangements were made for the sight and hearing impaired?**
- 4. Has the Government had any requests for copies of the kit in large print format?**
- 5. Has the Government received any complaints about the unavailability of the kit in large print format? How many? What is the Government doing to rectify the problem?**

Answer:

1. Advice on appropriate presentation of the booklet to meet the needs of older Australians and people with disabilities was taken from the Royal Blind Society and BMF, the advertising agency that worked on the campaign.
2. Not applicable.
3. The booklet was initially made available in braille and on audio cassette. Large print format copies were subsequently prepared.
4. The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has received one request for the booklet in large print format.
5. The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has received one complaint about the kit not being available in large print format. It is now available in large print format through the Royal Blind Society.