

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 51 Part 1

Topic: APEC 2007 Taskforce

Senator Evans asked: As at now, provide a breakdown of the number of employees in the APEC Taskforce, showing classification, ongoing/temporary status?

Answer:

| Classification | Staff Numbers | Ongoing * | Non-ongoing | Secondments |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| SES Band 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| SES Band 1 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| Executive Level 2 | 17 | 8 | 7 | 2 |
| Executive Level 1 | 25 | 6 | 15 | 4 |
| APS Level 6 | 17 | 5 | 11 | 1 |
| APS Level 5 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| APS Level 4 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 0 |
| APS Level 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | 88 | 29 | 51 | 8 |

* represents ongoing employees as well as ongoing employees selected for temporary movement to a higher classification

Question: PM 51 Part 2

Topic: APEC 2007 Taskforce

Senator Evans asked: What is the total cost to date for the Taskforce, separately identifying employee costs, accommodation costs, capital/equipment costs and other administration costs?

Answer: The total cost for the Taskforce to 31 January 2006 is \$7.329m. Total operating expenses (includes cash and accruals) were \$6.543m whilst the capital component (cash only) was \$0.786m. Employee costs were \$2.723m, Accommodation expenses (operating only) were \$1.075m and other administrative costs were \$2.745m.

Question: PM 51 Part 3

Topic: APEC 2007 Taskforce

Senator Evans asked: Given the office space leased in Sydney, provide the average square metres per employee available in that accommodation for the current number of employees?

Answer: The basis used when leasing the office space in Sydney in terms of average square metres per employee was 13.9 square metres per employee.

Currently on Level 30 and 31, including common areas, and taking into account staff from the NSW Police and PSCC is 26 square metres per person. On completion of the fit out for Level 28 and further uptake of staff we expect the overall average provision to be approximately 13 square metres.