Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator: Senator Fifield

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Question:

Senator FIFIELD: Okay. This might be outside the knowledge of the department but it may be within it. Has the chair of the social inclusion board, or the deputy chair, or any members of the social inclusion board, met with Minister Butler since his appointment?

Mr Ronalds: They have, Senator.

Senator FIFIELD: That is reassuring. Could you take on notice when that occurred and whether it was the full board or individual members of the board?

Mr Ronalds: We are happy to take that on notice.

Answer:

Ms Patricia Faulkner, Chair, Australian Social Inclusion Board met with the Minister for Social Inclusion, the Hon Mark Butler MP, on 13 February 2012.