Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman **Outcome/Program:** Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Topic: Contractors

Senator: Humphries

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Ouestion:

- 1. How many contractors are currently employed in the department/agency?
- 2. How many contractors have been under contract for a period of more than 2 years?
- 3. How many contractors have been under contract for a period of more than 5 years?
- 4. How many contractors have been under contract for a period of more than 10 years?
- 5. Does the department/agency make a habit of employing contractors to fill positions on a permanent basis?

Answer:

- 1. Nil
- 2. Nil
- 3. Nil
- 4. Nil
- 5. No