

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

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of National Assessments
Outcome/Program: 1
Topic: Staff reductions

Senator: Ryan
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Question:

Are there any plans for staff reduction? If so, please advise details ie. reduction target, how this will be achieved, services/programs to be cut etc.

If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.

Answer:

ONA will be reducing staffing numbers over the next 12 months. The number of reductions will not be known until final appropriations are tabled and savings from reviews of ONA's administration costs confirmed.

The reductions will flow from considered workforce planning and natural attrition.