

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Finance and Administration Portfolio**

**Department of Finance and Administration**

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**Question: F36**

**Outcome: 3, Output: 3.1**

**Topic: Members of Parliament Staff Salaries above the range**

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**Senator Carr asked:**

Could I get a breakdown of how many of the above-the-range employees are employed in each of the individual ministerial offices?

**Answer:**

Providing a breakdown of the number of above-the-range employees in each ministerial office could result in individual employees being identified. Accordingly, the information sought is provided by staffing classification.

As at 1 May 2005 there were 10 Government staff employed at salaries above the specified salary ranges for their classification. The classification levels and numbers of staff at each of these levels are:

- Chief of Staff (Cabinet Minister) 2
- Senior Adviser 1 4
- Media Adviser (Cabinet Minister) 2
- Chief of Staff (non-Cabinet Minister) 1
- Senior Adviser (non-Cabinet Minister) 1