# **Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

#### Australian Public Service Commission

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### **Question: PM 96**

# **Topic: Australian Workplace Agreements**

# Senator Carr asked:

- 1. How many staff are covered by AWAs in your Agency/Department?
- 2. Can you provide a break down of AWAs by gender and by classification?
- 3. Can you tell me how many of the staff on AWAs are paid more than the band for their classification under the certified agreement?
- 4. Why were these staff not simply promoted to a higher classification?

### Answer:

1. 40 staff are covered by AWAs which represents around 22% of staff.

2.

|        | APS5/6 | EL1 | EL2 | SES 1-3 |
|--------|--------|-----|-----|---------|
| Female | 3      | 4   | 18  | 5       |
| Male   | 0      | 0   | 5   | 5       |

3. 15

4. These staff are not performing duties commensurate with a higher level, but are undertaking the more complex work at their classification level and are remunerated accordingly.