



23 October 2006

Mr Alistair Sands  
Secretary  
Senate Finance and Public Administration  
Legislation Committee  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Mr Sands

**2006-07 Budget Estimate Hearings - Question on Notice  
Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General**

At the Budget Estimate Hearings in May 2006 the Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General undertook to provide additional information in response to some questions asked by Committee members and was advised subsequently of further Committee questions that had been submitted in writing.

The response to the questions asked is attached. It has taken longer than anticipated to collect information to respond to some questions and this has delayed the Office's response to the Committee. I apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

Malcolm Hazell  
Official Secretary  
to the Governor-General