

Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Senator Ronaldson asked:

As it stands on 27 May, does each minister or parliamentary secretary's office have one or more staffers that have a top-secret clearance and, if not, which offices are awaiting clearances?

Answer:

The following offices did not have one or more *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984* employees with a top secret clearance as at 27 May 2008:

The Hon Chris Bowen MP;
The Hon Tony Burke MP;
The Hon Laurie Ferguson MP;
The Hon Gary Gray MP;
The Hon Alan Griffin MP;
The Hon Maxine McKew MP;
The Hon John Murphy MP; and
The Hon Bill Shorten MP.