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Senator Bernardi asked:

I will put it to the Minister. Mr Savvides has advised us that the board members have already been advised of this, [Medibank's Board appointment for three upcoming vacancies]. Minister, would you be prepared to share that with us?

Senator Sherry: No, I will have to take it on notice.

Senator Bernardi: So you do not know the answer?

Senator Sherry: I do not know. I will take it on notice.

Answer:

The Government reappointed Professor Just Stoelwinder to the Medibank Board on 29 June 2008 for a further three year term. On 7 May 2008, Mr Paul McClintock, Chair of Medibank wrote to the Minister advising that Mr Peter Wade and Mr Adrian Brien AM wished to step down from the Medibank Board following the expiry of their terms on 28 June 2008. Their terms have now expired. The Minister for Finance and Deregulation is considering these two vacancies.