

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
Budget Estimates Hearing 26 May - 27 May 2008**



Question: PM125

Outcome 1, Output 5.7

Topic: Mr Taubenschlag

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Senator Ronaldson asked: If it was unknown to you or your department, did Mr or Mrs Taubenschlag declare the fact that Mr Taubenschlag was a media advisor to the Minister for Defence?

Answer: Mr Taubenschlag's employment as a Ministerial Adviser was not known to Department officers when the contract was put in place with CMAX Communications for media support for the *Australia 2020* Summit.