

**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**

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**Question: PM18**

**Outcome 1, Output 3**

**Topic: Was the United States response communicated back to PM&C**

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**Senator Nettle asked: -Earlier today ASIO informed the legal and constitutional affairs committee that the Director-General of ASIO at the time communicated with the United States the result of the discussion from that meeting. Do you know whether the United States response was communicated back to PM&C?**

**Mr Borrowman-I would have to check that.**

**Senator NETTLE-I want to know, when that response was communicated to ASIO, was their response, or the fact that it had been communicated, sent back to PM&C?**

**Mr Borrowman-Okay.**

**Answer: There is no record of a response from the United States being communicated back to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.**