

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012**

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency: National Museum of Australia**

**Outcome/Program: 1.1 – Collection, management, research, exhibitions and programs**

**Topic: Reduction in staffing**

**Senator: Humphries**

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**Question:**

**Senator HUMPHRIES: You mentioned that you had been reducing staffing. I notice that the CPSU believes there has already been a 5.4 per cent cut in jobs at the museum. Would you agree with that figure?**

**Mr Sayers: The voluntary redundancies have reduced the Museum staff by 20 positions. I have not done a precise calculation on that. The full staff complement—let me just be precise and then we can work out the figure—is 292. So it would be 20 of 292. I have not done the calculation.**

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**Senator HUMPHRIES: I calculate that the effect of the reduction in real terms on your funding is about \$2.4 million over the outyears. That takes into account the effect of forecast CPI and the impact of the enhanced efficiency dividend and the original efficiency dividend and the previous dividends, which have a lag effect on you. I will not ask you to make a calculation about whether that is an accurate figure. You can take that on notice, though, if you would not mind.**

**Mr Sayers: Yes.**

**Answer:**

The effect of the efficiency dividend over the forward estimates is \$2.371 million.