

Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Topic: UN Oil For Food Programme – Volcker Inquiry

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Senator Evans asked: I take it from that that you as PM&C have not briefed the Prime Minister on the question of an Australian inquiry then?

Answer: As at the date of the question, no formal briefing had been provided to the Prime Minister on the question of an Australian inquiry. The Secretary provided written advice to the Prime Minister on 1 November 2005.