

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Question: PM 3

Outcome 1 Output 4

Topic: Task force staffing numbers

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Senator Chris Evans asked: How many people do you have employed on task forces apart from the APEC task force?

Answer: As at 30 October 2006, there were 49 task force personnel.

PM 3 – PM&C task force staffing (excluding APEC) as at 30 October 2006

Division	Name of task force	Task force staff as at 30 October 2006
Executive		Nil
International	Only three working on APEC	Nil
CERHOS		Nil
NSD	Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear	8 ^
Government		Nil
PR&C		Nil
Cabinet		Nil
Economic		Nil
II&E	UMPNER	23
Social Policy	COAG Human Capital Task force	10
	Avian Pandemic Team	8
	Banks Task force	Nil
	Total	49

Total taskforce staff working in the building = 49

Social Policy	COAG Skills Recognition Task force	2 *
NOT A TASK FORCE	COAG Health Task force (SPD)	#
NOT A TASK FORCE	Office of Water Resources	12 >

^ 1 x PMC, 1 x Secondee (PMC pays), 6 x Secondees, includes temporary staff and consultants.

* The COAG Skills Recognition Task force is located in DEST. It is headed by an SES Band 1 PM&C officer and an additional PM&C officer is also working at the EL2 level. Their wages are paid by DEST.

This is not a task force – it is part of the Health and Ageing Branch (should be removed from the list)

> The Office of Water Resources is not classified as a task force