

**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 9**

**Outcome 1**

**Topic: Staff**

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**Senator Ray asked: Senator Minchin – The industrial relations task force, the backbench-**

**CHAIR – the chair is Phil Barresi.**

**Senator Minchin – So you do not know whether he has an extra staffer; you just want to know –**

**Senator ROBERT RAY – Whether one has been allocated to that task force.**

**Senator Minchin – Okay.**

**Answer:** There is one adviser position allocated to the Task Force on Workplace Relations Reform. The position has been vacant since May 2006.