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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator Ryan asked: I have a final question. Minister, it is probably more appropriate to start with you. Have you or anyone who has presented to us so far today and is likely to present to us later in the day had any media or presentation training or coaching this year from an external trainer?

Senator Faulkner-Thank you for asking me that question, Senator. I thought it would be patently obvious that I have not had any media training-

Senator RYAN-But you are very photogenic.

Senator FIFIELD-Senator Faulkner tends to give it. He is the instructor.

Senator Faulkner-I can assure you that I have had no media training. I cannot speak for my colleagues. Let me check. We are not aware of any such training in the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. But Mr Mrdak will check for all others except myself; I can be categoric.

Answer: No.