Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Question: PM2

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Topic: Charter Letter meetings

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Senator Abetz asked:...Just to make it perfectly clear what I am seeking: in PM24 I asked how long each one of those meetings was. I asked you to take that on notice. I also asked who was present at each meeting. 'I will ask the Prime Minister if he cares to provide any further information,' was Senator Faulkner's response...So I am asking you, Minister, and the department to have another go and actually be responsive in detail to all the questions that were raised in PM23 and PM24. Will you do that for me, please?...

Senator Faulkner-I do not know whether the information that you are seeking is available...I am happy to check again, but I can assure you that considerable effort went into preparing the answer that you do have and the information that has been provided to you.

Answer: Further detail, beyond that provided in answer to PM23, is not available.