# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

#### **Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

### Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Supplementary Budget Estimates 18-21 October 2010

**Question: PM107** 

**Asked By: Senator Abetz** 

**Topic: Staffing Levels - SES** 

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- a) How many SES were employed in your Department and portfolio agencies on 10 May 2010?
- b) How many SES were employed in your Department and portfolio agencies as of today?

#### **Answer:**

The figures below are substantive staffing levels and include both operative and inoperative staff.

	As at 30 April 2010	As at 30 October 2010
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	72	77*
Australian Institute of Family Studies	2	2
Australian National Audit Office	26	27
Australian Public Service Commission	7	11
Office of the Official Secretary of the Governor-General	1	1
Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority	1	2
National Film and Sound Archive	3	3
National Library of Australia	8	8
National Museum of Australia	3	3
Screen Australia	6	6

<sup>\*</sup>Does not include approximately 10 SES staff who will be transferred to the department as part of the September 2010 machinery of government changes.

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The Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio will be receiving staff from the agencies listed below under machinery of government changes. These staff are employed under the agency's enabling legislation or the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997*, and as such their staffing classification levels are not directly aligned with those employed under the *Public Service Act 1999*.

- Australian Sports Commission
- Australia Council
- Australian, Film, Television and Radio School
- National Gallery of Australia

The movement of SES employees from the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities; the Department of Health and Ageing; and the Department of Families, Housing, Community Service and Indigenous Affairs under the machinery of government changes have not yet been effected and so have not been included in the above table.