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Senator: Ryan

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Questions:

F 34. So it possible to get on notice the original classifications of these personal classifications? Can you take that on notice? For example, there are five advisers who are personally classified as advisers who might be allocated here as assistant advisers. So this larger document only actually reflects the nominal allocation, as opposed to the personal one. Can you update this document here, either with an asterisk or bold or italics or whatever, to reflect where these personal classifications are employed?

F35. Can you also take on notice the original classifications of those? I would be happier with the table, but it would be to break down each of these numbers. There are only two that need to be broken down, Adviser and Senior Adviser 1 Cabinet. If you were to explain where the Assistant Adviser, Senior Adviser 1 Non-Cabinet and Chief of Staff Cabinet came, obviously there is only one of them so I would know what their original classification was.

Answer:

Both questions relate to the table of established positions allocated to Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries and the separate document providing details of personal classifications, both as at 1 October 2011 and both tabled on 18 October 2011.

Details of the 15 Government staff with personal classifications as at 1 October 2011 are included in the table below. Where the identification of the Office would lead to the identification of the individual, this information is excluded.

OFFICE	POSITION CLASSIFICATION	PERSONAL CLASSIFICATION
The Hon Anthony Albanese MP	Adviser	Senior Adviser 1 (Cabinet)

OFFICE	POSITION CLASSIFICATION	PERSONAL CLASSIFICATION
The Hon Chris Bowen MP	Adviser	Senior Adviser 1 (Cabinet)
The Hon Greg Combet AM MP	Adviser	Senior Adviser 1 (Cabinet)
Senator the Hon Chris Evans	Adviser	Senior Adviser 1 (Cabinet)
The Hon Peter Garrett AM MP	Adviser	Senior Adviser 1 (Cabinet)
The Hon Julia Gillard MP	Assistant Adviser	Adviser
The Hon Julia Gillard MP	Executive Assistant/ Office Manager	Adviser
The Hon Brendan O'Connor MP	Adviser	Senior Adviser 1 (non Cabinet)
The Hon Brendan O'Connor MP	Assistant Adviser Govt	Adviser
The Hon Bill Shorten MP	Adviser	Senior Adviser 1 (Cabinet)
The Hon Wayne Swan MP	Assistant Adviser	Adviser
The Hon Wayne Swan MP	Assistant Adviser	Adviser
Not identified	Chief of Staff (non-Cabinet)	Chief of Staff (Cabinet)
Not identified	Executive Assistant/ Office Manager	Assistant Adviser
Not identified	Senior Media Adviser (DPM/Trs)	Senior Adviser 1 (Cabinet)