

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012**

**Attorney-General's Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Attorney-General's Department

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**Senator:** Senator Rhiannon

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**Question:**

What is the current status of any discussions with the European Union about an EU adequacy assessment of Australia's privacy laws?

**Answer:**

The Department is not currently engaged in any discussions with the European Union about an EU adequacy assessment of Australia's privacy laws and is not aware of any current proposal from the European Commission to conduct such an assessment.