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QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE (Of which some notice has been given)

Tuesday, 30 October 2012

Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs.

With regard to the WA Stolen Wages Reparation Scheme, I ask:

- (1) Are Aboriginal people who worked on pastoral stations and whose wages were not paid to them eligible to access the scheme?
- (2) If no to (1) why not?
- (3) If no to (1) what is the government's reason for discriminating against these workers?

(4) If yes to (1) how can the former workers access the scheme?

I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.

(1) No.

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(2) The ex gratia payments are limited to those whose incomes were controlled directly by Government.

(3) Station workers incomes were not controlled directly by Government.

(4) Not applicable.

Minister for Indigenous Affairs