

Question on notice no. 15

Portfolio question number: F015

2019-20 Supplementary budget estimates

Finance and Public Administration Committee, Finance Portfolio

Senator Katy Gallagher: asked the Department of Finance on 22 October 2019—

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Answer —

Please see answer attached.

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Answer:

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