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(Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade,
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Answers to questions on notice relating to Additional estimates 2005–2006

Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio

Department of Foreign Affairs

Senator	*Date tabled*	*Letters of clarification/correction of evidence*
Hogg/Hutchins	*11May06*	Letter dated 14 March 2006, from Mr Rod Smith, First Assistant Secretary, Public Diplomacy Consular and Passports Division, clarifying evidence given at estimates concerning the Van Nguyen consular case.
Faulkner	*11May06*	Letter dated 16 March 2006, from Mr Chris Moraitis, Senior Legal Adviser, clarifying evidence given at estimates concerning the 'first notice to produce' received by DFAT on 01 December 2005.
Faulkner	*11May06*	Letter dated 12 April 2006, from Mr Chris Moraitis, Senior Legal Adviser, giving further clarification to evidence at estimates concerning the 'first notice to produce' received by DFAT on 01 December 2005.
Hutchins	*11May06*	Letter dated 13 April 2006, from Mr Stephen Deady, First Assistant Secretary, Trade Development Division, giving further information regarding aggregate trends in Australia–US bilateral trade and growth in the major export and import items following the entry into force of the Australia–US free trade agreement.

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Output 1.1.4: South Pacific, Middle East and Africa			
Evans	*01*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: information exchange
Evans	*02*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: IDC
Evans	*03*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Volcker inquiry
Evans	*04*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Cole Commission
Evans	*05*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Canadian Government
Evans	*06*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: UN Office of Legal Affairs
Evans	*07*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: contact with AWB
Evans	*08*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Departmental officers
Evans	*09*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: briefing material
Evans	*10*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: overseas posts
Evans	*11*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Iraq Task Force
Evans	*12*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: IDC
Evans	*13*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Coalition Provision Authority
Evans	*14*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Volcker inquiry
Evans	*15*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Cole Commission
Evans	*16*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Cole Commission

Senator	*Ques no*	*Date tabled*	*Topic*
Evans	*17*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Canadian Government
Evans	*18*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: UN Office of Legal Affairs
Evans	*19*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: AWB
Evans	*20*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: AWB contract 2002
Evans	*21*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: DFAT officials
Evans	*22*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: AWB meeting 2002
Evans	*23*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: AWB assistance
Evans	*24*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Ambassador Thawley
Evans	*25*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Ambassador Richardson
Evans	*26*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Briefing material
Evans	*27*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Western Sahara ***Attachment:*** Correspondence quoted in question.
Ray	*28*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Coalition Provisional Authority
Ray	*29*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: suicide bombers
Ray	*30*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Iraq Task Force
Faulkner	*31*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: Volcker inquiry
Output 1.1.6: Trade development			
Evans	*32*	*rec'd*	UN Oil–for–food program: trade officials
Evans	*33*	*rec'd*	UN Oil–for–food program: DFAT officials
StottDesp	*34*	*rec'd*	Indonesian bilateral debt
Output 1.1.7: International organisations legal and environment			
Faulkner	*35*	*rec'd*	Human rights–China and Vietnam
Faulkner	*36*	*rec'd*	Human rights–Sudan, North Korea, Cuba and Nyanmar
Evans	*37*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–food program: international legal obligations
StottDesp	*38*	*rec'd*	Mr David Hicks
Faulkner	*39*	*rec'd*	Oil–for–Food program: Cole Commission and notice to produce ***Attachment:*** letter from Commissioner Terence Cole to DFAT concerning 'a notice to produce'.
Hutchins	*40*	*rec'd*	Sparke Helmore
Hogg	*41*	*rec'd*	International Court of Justice
Hogg	*42*	*rec'd*	International Court of Justice–Indonesia
Output 2.1: Public diplomacy, consular and passports			
StottDesp	*43*	*rec'd*	Tallaal Adrey
StottDesp	*44*	*rec'd*	Australians imprisoned overseas
StottDesp	*45*	*rec'd*	Death penalty
StottDesp	*46*	*rec'd*	Mr Van Nguyen
StottDesp	*47*	*rec'd*	E passports
Ludwig	*48*	*rec'd*	Director of Public Prosecutions
Faulkner	*49*	*rec'd*	Media interest
Faulkner	*50*	*rec'd*	Departmental media release
Enabling services			
Hogg	*51*	*rec'd*	Hillsong Church
Hogg	*52*	*rec'd*	United Nations post in New York

Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)

Senator	*Date tabled*	*Letters of clarification/correction of evidence*
Hogg	*11May06*	Letter received 04 April 2006, from Mr Dereck Rooken–Smith, Acting Deputy Director General, Corporate Governance and Review, clarifying evidence given at estimates concerning statistics given to Senator Hogg regarding contracts to Australian contractors.

Senator	*Ques no*	*Date tabled*	*Topic*
Outcome 1			
White paper			
StottDesp	*01*	*11May06*	White paper: authors of the paper
StottDesp	*02*	*11May06*	White paper: issues of national interest
StottDesp	*03*	*11May06*	White Paper: Pacific Islands analytical report
StottDesp	*04*	*11May06*	White paper: community consultation
Evans	*05*	*11May06*	White paper: migration and remittences
Millennium development goals			
StottDesp	*06*	*11May06*	Millenium development goals (MDGs): Australia's contribution
StottDesp	*07*	*11May06*	MDG: poverty reduction strategies
StottDesp	*08*	*11May06*	MDG: rationale for amount funding for each sector
Responding to emergencies			
Webber	*09*	*11May06*	Responding to emergencies
National interest			
StottDesp	*10*	*11May06*	'Advancing the national interest' in ad campaign
StottDesp	*11*	*11May06*	National interest: advantage to Australian business
Public scrutiny of project documents			
Evans	*12*	*11May06*	Public scrutiny of project documents
Family planning			
StottDesp	*13*	*11May06*	Family planning: funding to encourage safe abortions
Webber	*14*	*11May06*	Family planning: UNFPA in Philippines
AidWorks			
Hogg/Evans	*15*	*11May06*	AidWorks: total budgets for the project
Evans	*16*	*11May06*	AidWorks: overview of project capabilities and funding
AusAID staffing			
Hogg/Evans	*17*	*11May06*	AusAID staffing overseas
Evans	*18*	*11May06*	Language skills of staff working overseas
Contracts and contractors			
Faulkner	*19*	*11May06*	Contracts and contractors: tendering process
Faulkner	*20*	*11May06*	Contracts and contractors: publishing tender in Gazette
Faulkner	*21*	*11May06*	Contracts and contractors: recording a contract variation
StottDesp	*22*	*11May06*	Contracts and contractors: contract to Mr Flugge
StottDesp	*23*	*11May06*	Contracts and contractors: tender and evaluation of a contract

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StottDesp	*24*	*11May06*	Contracts and contractors: contract to Mr Hartley
Ray	*25*	*11May06*	Contracts and contractors: Australians deployed with the CPA
Hillsong Church			
Ludwig	*26*	*11May06*	Grants to Hillsong Church
Director of Public Prosecutions			
Ludwig	*27*	*11May06*	Director of Public Prosecutions
Aid budget			
Evans	*28*	*11May06*	Aid budget: individual program budgets
Assistance to Pacific Islands and global warming			
Evans	*29*	*11May06*	Assistance to Pacific islands and global warming
HIV/AIDS			
Webber	*30*	*11May06*	HIV/AIDS: AusAID funding and activities
Other government departments			
StottDesp	*31*	*11May06*	Other government departments: Attorney–General
StottDesp	*32*	*11May06*	Other government departments: DIMIA
StottDesp	*33*	*11May06*	Other government departments: Defence
StottDesp	*34*	*11May06*	Other government departments: Attorney–General's annual report
StottDesp	*35*	*11May06*	Other government departments: ODA and transparency in reporting
StottDesp	*36*	*11May06*	Other government departments: ODA for Treasury and DIMIA
Policing			
StottDesp	*37*	*11May06*	Policing: Aid budget funding
Indonesia			
StottDesp	*38*	*11May06*	Indonesia: community development in Papua
Johnston	*39*	*11May06*	Indonesia: Roti, West Timor and surrounding islands
Guidelines			
Siewert	*40*	*11May06*	Guidelines: delegations for administered items and the FMA Act
Faulkner	*41*	*11May06*	Guidelines: provide a copy of Commonwealth procurement guidelines
Funding of NGOs in East Timor			
Hogg	*42*	*11May06*	Funding of NGOs in East Timor: details of funding applications
Evans	*43*	*11May06*	Funding of NGOs in East Timor: proposals not taken up

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NGOs			
StottDesp	*44*	*11May06*	NGOs: different types of funding arrangements
Solomon Islands			
StottDesp	*45*	*11May06*	Solomon Islands: evaluations of the initial law and justice project
OECD report on bribery and corruption			
StottDesp	*46*	*11May06*	OECD report on bribery and corruption
Outcome 2			
Australia Indonesia partnership for reconstruction and development (AIPRD)			
StottDesp	*47*	*11May06*	Australia Indonesia partnership for reconstruction and development

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Australian Trade Commission (Austrade)

Senator	*Ques no*	*Date tabled*	*Topic*
Evans	*01*	*11May06*	Austrade legal advise
Hogg	*02*	*11May06*	Trade missions in the Middle East
Hogg	*03*	*11May06*	Value of the 35 per cent increase in exports
Hutchins	*04*	*11May06*	Potential expansion market
F–Wells	*05*	*11May06*	Representation and expansion into Europe
Ludwig	*W06*	*11May06*	Grants to Hillsong Church
Ludwig	*W07*	*11May06*	Director of Public Prosecutions

Number of outstanding questions to date…

COMMITTEE	NUMBER OF QUESTIONS LODGED DURING ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES: FEBRUARY 2006	ANSWERS OUTSTANDING TO QUESTIONS LODGED DURING ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES: FEBRUARY 2006 **As at cob 24May06**
FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE & TRADE		
Defence	30	**Nil**
Veterans' Affairs	15	**Nil**
Defence Housing Authority	01	**Nil**
Foreign Affairs and Trade	52	**Nil**
Austrade	07	**Nil**
AusAID	47	**Nil**
ACIAR	01	**Nil**
EPIC	01	**Nil**
AJF	01	**Nil**
FADT total	**155**	**Nil**

Volumes of additional information relating to 2005–2006 estimates

Budget estimates

Additional information, volume 1, October 2005 contains answers to questions on notice relating to the Defence Organisation, Defence Housing Authority and the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Additional information, volume 2, September 2005 contains answers to questions on notice relating to Foreign Affairs and Trade, The Australian Trade Commission (Austrade), and, the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID).

Budget supplementary estimates

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Additional estimates

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Consolidated version of Additional information, volume 2, May 2006 contains answers to questions on notice relating to the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, AusAID and Austrade.

The following answers to questions on notice are available on the Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade website (www.aph.gov.au/senate_fadt):

- Additional estimates 1999–2000: 9 and 10 February 2000
- Additional supplementary estimates 1999–2000: 3 May 2000

- Budget estimates 2000–2001: 29–31 May 2000
- Budget supplementary estimates 2000–2001: 23 November 2000
- Additional estimates 2000–2001: 21 and 22 February 2001
- Additional supplementary estimates no longer conducted.

- Budget estimates 2001–2002: 4–6 and 19 June 2001
- No budget supplementary round held in the financial year 2001–2002
- Additional estimates 2001–2002: 20–22 February and 12 March 2002

- Budget estimates 2002–2003: 3–6 June 2002
- Budget supplementary estimates 2002–2003: 21 and 22 November 2002
- Additional estimates 2002–2003: 12–14 February 2003

- Budget estimates 2003–2004: 2–5 June 2003
- Budget supplementary estimates 2003–2004: 5 and 6 November 2003
- Additional estimates 2003–2004: 18–20 February and 2 March 2004

- Budget estimates 2004–2005: 31 May, 1–3, 17 June 2004
- Budget supplementary questions on notice, 2004–2005. No hearings held.
- Additional estimates 2004–2005: 16 and 18 February 2005

- Budget estimates 2005–2006: 30–31 May, 1–2 June 2005
- Budget supplementary estimates 2005–2006: 02–03 November 2005
- Additional estimates 2005–2006: 15 and 16 February 2006

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