Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND

INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2011-12 Additional Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment

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Senator McKenzie asked:

What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.

For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.

Answer:

Hospitality is used when required, for business purposes, which is separate to spend on planned events held across Australia to recognise important and significant dates, including:

- Australia Day Awards
- National Anniversary of the Apology
- National Families Week
- International Women's Day
- Seniors Week
- Mental Health Week
- Reconciliation Week
- NAIDOC week,
- Empowering Women to Lead
- White Ribbon Day
- International Day for People with Disability

The breakdown of event information is not readily available for the Department without the use of significant resources.

The Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries' office costs are managed by the Department of Finance and Deregulation (DoFD) and therefore this aspect of the question should be directed to DoFD.