

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

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17 October – 18 October 2012

**Question: SBT 557-563**

**Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment (AOFM)**

**Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012**

**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

557. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date (26 October 2012)? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
558. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date (26 October 2012)? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
559. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
560. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
561. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?
562. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
563. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.

**Answer:**

- 557-558. Hospitality and entertainment expenses incurred in the period from 1 July 2012 to 26 October 2012 are shown in the table below.

| <b>Date of Event</b> | <b>Location</b> | <b>Purpose</b>                               | <b>Cost \$</b> |
|----------------------|-----------------|--|----------------|
| July 2012            | Canberra        | AOFM Spring Clean Lunch                      | 415            |
| September 2012       | Canberra        | Staff function – End of Financial Year lunch | 353            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         |                 |  | <b>768</b>     |

- 559-560. There is currently no planned entertainment and hospitality expenditure.

561. A number of entertainment and hospitality expenses incurred in the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, such as the Chief Financial Officer's forum, Debt management tri-partite meeting and selection of debt management advisor, are not expected to be incurred by the

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AOFM on an annual basis. Therefore, entertainment expenses are expected to be lower in financial year 2012-13.

562-563. Hospitality and entertainment expenses incurred in financial year 2011-12 are listed in the table below.

| <b>Date</b>   | <b>Location</b> | <b>Purpose</b>   | <b>Cost \$</b> |
|---------------|-----------------|--|----------------|
| August 2011   | Canberra        | Staff function   | 2,449          |
| August 2011   | Brisbane        | Debt management tri-partite meeting (representatives from PNG Treasury, Solomon Islands Treasury and AOFM) | 930            |
| November 2011 | Canberra        | Meeting with business economists   | 387            |
| November 2011 | Canberra        | Selection process for the appointment debt management advisor for PNG SGP                                  | 600            |
| December 2011 | Canberra        | AOFM Advisory Board meeting  | 780            |
| December 2011 | Canberra        | Meeting with job applicant   | 78             |
| March 2012    | Canberra        | Staff function   | 568            |
| March 2012    | Canberra        | Meeting of the Chief Financial Officer's of Australian and New Zealand central borrowing authorities       | 2030           |
| April 2012    | Canberra        | AOFM Advisory Board Meeting  | 414            |
| May 2012      | Canberra        | Meeting with representatives from Solomon Islands.   | 165            |
| May 2012      | Canberra        | Lunch with University Melbourne representatives  | 75             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  |                 |  | <b>8,476</b>   |