

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 1

Program: DFAT

Topic: Taxi costs

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.*
- 2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?*
- 3. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?*

Answer

1. Efic's systems do not readily enable the separation of this information from total travel expenses. To manually breakdown records to supply the information required would constitute a significant diversion of resources. Efic records its annual travel expenditure in its Annual Report.
2. Efic staff may hire taxis when conducting work travel in line with the provisions of Efic's Corporate Travel Policy and Procedures.
3. Not applicable to Efic.

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Question No 2

Program: DFAT

Topic: Hospitality and entertainment

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What has been the Department/Agency's hospitality spend including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 3. What has been the Department/Agency's entertainment spend? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 5. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 6. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 7. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 8. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 9. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?*

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Answer

1. Efic's total entertainment and hospitality spend from 14 September to 11 March 2016 was approximately \$113,000.
This total expenditure for Efic's hospitality and entertainment (including expenditure for external meetings) was for Efic's Australian clients, potential clients, other corporations, companies, institutions and agencies external to the Corporation, in addition to event hosting expenses associated with client and staff functions.
2. Not applicable to Efic
3. See answer to Question 1. Efic's reporting systems do not capture expenditure in such a way that would readily enable the requested breakdown of this total expenditure. To manually collect this information would entail a significant and unreasonable diversion of resources.
4. Not applicable to Efic
5. Efic's hospitality and entertainment spending for FY15-16 is expected to be in line with the entertainment and hospitality budget for FY15-16. Efic's reporting systems do not capture expenditure in such a way that would readily enable the requested breakdown of this total expenditure. To manually collect this information would entail a significant and unreasonable diversion of resources.
6. Not applicable to Efic
7. See answer to Question 5.
8. Not applicable to Efic
9. See answer to Question 5.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 3

Program: DFAT

Topic: Executive coaching and leadership training

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please provide the following information in relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency:
 - A. Total spending on these services*
 - B. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification**
- 2. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
- 3. The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide:
 - A. The name and nature of the service purchased*
 - B. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based*
 - C. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification*
 - D. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - E. The total amount spent on the service*
 - F. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)**
- 4. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
 - A. The location used*
 - B. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - C. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - D. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location**
- 5. In relation to education/executive coaching and/or other leadership training services paid for by the department what agreements are*

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made with employees in regards to continuing employment after training has been completed? For graduate or post graduate study, please breakdown each approved study leave by staffing allocation and degree or program title.

Answer

1. Total spending was \$64,680. 27 employees were offered these services (3 SES equivalent and 24 non-SES equivalent).
2. 27 employees have utilised these services, 3 SES equivalent and 24 non-SES equivalent.
- 3.

Service Provider	Details
Stephenson Mansell	A. Stephenson Mansell – executive coaching B. One on one C. 1 SES equivalent D. 10.5 (50% of the total hours) E. \$8,800 (50% of the total fee) F. Second instalment of the complete package
POD Consultancy	A. POD Consultancy - coaching B. One on one C. 1 non SES equivalent D. 2 hours coaching E. \$660 F. Complete package
Forte Communications	A. Forte Communications – coaching B. One on one C. 3 non SES equivalents D. 12 hours of coaching E. \$8,580 F. Complete package
Foresight Global Coaching	A. Foresight Global Coaching – executive coaching

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	<p>B. One on one</p> <p>C. 1 SES equivalent</p> <p>D. Uncapped access to coaching</p> <p>E. \$22,000</p> <p>F. Quarterly fee</p>
The Human Enterprise	<p>A. The Human Enterprise – coaching</p> <p>B. One on one</p> <p>C. 2 non SES equivalent</p> <p>D. 4 hours</p> <p>E. \$4,840</p> <p>F. Final Instalment of the complete package</p>
The Human Enterprise	<p>A. The Human Enterprise – leadership development program for Heads of Departments</p> <p>B. Group</p> <p>C. 1 SES equivalent and 6 non SES equivalent</p> <p>D. 7 hours</p> <p>E. \$7,150</p> <p>F. Complete package</p>
The Human Enterprise	<p>A. The Human Enterprise – leadership development program for Managers</p> <p>B. Group</p> <p>C. 12 non SES equivalent</p> <p>D. 14 hours</p> <p>E. \$12,650</p> <p>F. Complete package</p>

4. Not applicable. The services were always located at Efic’s own premises.

5. No.

6. No study leave was approved during the specified period.

[Note: Efic is not an Australia Public Service body, as such APS classifications are not applicable to Efic staff.]

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Question No 4

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff profile

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. *Has there been any change to the staffing profile of the department/agency?*

A. *Provide a list of changes to staffing numbers, broken down by classification level, division, home base location (including town/city and state)*

Answer

1. Yes.

A.

Location		Total staff	SES equivalent	Non-SES equivalent	Contract type	
					Ongoing	Non-ongoing
NSW	Sydney	95	8	87	88	7
WA	Perth	2	0	2	2	0
QLD	Brisbane	3	0	3	3	0
VIC	Melbourne	3	0	3	3	0
SA	Adelaide	2	0	2	2	0

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Question No 5

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff profile

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred?
A. What was the reason for these reductions?*
- 2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.*
- 3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.*
- 4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.*
- 5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.*
- 6. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency? What classification were these staff?*
- 7. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from? What classification were these staff?*
- 8. What are the voluntary redundancy packages offered? Please detail for each staff level and position*
- 9. How do the packages differ from the default public service package?*
- 10. How is the department/agency funding the packages?*

Answer

1. Nil.
2. Not applicable.

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3. No.

4. Not applicable.

5. No.

6. 5 non-SES equivalent staff and 1 SES equivalent have left.

7. Nil.

8. Not applicable.

9. Not applicable.

10. Not applicable.

[Note: Efic is not an Australia Public Service body, as such APS classifications are not applicable to Efic staff.]

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Question No 6

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff recruitment

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited? What classification are these staff?***
- 2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created? What classification are these staff?***
- 3. How many staff have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?***

Answer

1. A total of 8 ongoing staff have been recruited (7 non-SES equivalent and 1 SES equivalent).
2. 7 non-ongoing non-SES equivalent positions exist, with 3 non-ongoing non-SES equivalent staff recruited since 14 September 2015.
3. Efic staff are employed under the *Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (Efic) Act 1991* (Cth). Ongoing staff are employed under Efic's standard terms of employment on a statutory contract with a 5 year renewable term.

[Note: Efic is not an Australia Public Service body, as such APS classifications are not applicable to Efic staff.]

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Question No 7

Program: DFAT

Topic: Kitchen appliances

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the department/agency purchased, leased or rented any kitchen appliances over the value of \$1000?

- A. If yes, provide a list that includes the type of appliance, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of consumables and when the appliance was purchased?*
- B. Why were the appliances purchased?*
- C. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since the appliances were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?*
- D. Where did the funding for the appliances come from?*
- E. Who has access?*
- F. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the appliances? How much was spent on maintenance, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?*
- G. What are the other ongoing costs of the appliances?*

Answer

- 1. No

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Question No 8

Program: DFAT

Topic: Board Vacancies

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. how often has each board met, break down by board name;**
- 2. what travel expenses have been incurred;**
- 3. what has been the average attendance at board meetings;**
- 4. List each member's attendance at meetings;**
- 5. how does the board deal with conflict of interest;**
- 6. what conflicts of interest have been registered;**
- 7. what remuneration has been provided to board members;**
- 8. how does the board dismiss board members who do not meet attendance standards?**
- 9. Have any requests been made to ministers to dismiss board members?**
- 10. Please list board members who have attended less than 51% of meetings**
- 11. What have been the catering costs for the board meetings held during this period? Please break down the cost list.**

Answer

- The Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (Efic) Board met 3 times since 14 September 2015.
- Efic Board travel expenses:

Board Meeting	Travel expenses for each meeting including flights, transfers and per diems
22 October 2015	\$4039.17
1 December 2015	\$5,121.85
25 February 2016	\$4,668.92
Total	\$13,829.94

- Efic Board average attendance:

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Board meeting	Attendance	Average Attendance
22 October 2015	8 of 9 Members (89%)	
3 December 2015	6 of 9 Members (67%)	
25 February 2016	8 of 9 Members (89%)	
		82%

4. Each Board Member's attendance:

Member name	Attendance
Mr James Millar AM (Chairman)	3 of 3
Mr Nicholas Minogue (Deputy Chairman)	3 of 3
Mr Andrew Hunter (Managing Director & CEO)	3 of 3
Mr Bruce Brook (Member)	3 of 3
Ms Annabelle Chaplain (Member)	2 of 3
Ms Denise Goldsworthy (Member)	2 of 3
Ms Laura McBain (Member)	2 of 3
Mr Rick Sawers (Member)	3 of 3
Mr Peter Varghese AO (Government Board Member)	0 of 3
Mr Justin Brown PSM (Alternate Government Board Member)	1 of 3

5. Efic's Board deals with conflicts of interests in accordance with the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act (PGPA) 2013* (Cth) Rule and is rigorous in ensuring that a director does not participate in discussions or decisions where there is, or may be, a conflict between the director's interests and the interests of Efic or one of its customers.

Directors are required to complete a disclosure form prior to attendance at their first Board Meeting. Directors are required to notify the Board Secretary when a material change occurs. Updated register of disclosed interests are made available to the directors as a Board paper for each meeting.

The general disclosure alerts Management to possible conflicts of interest which may require the withholding of particular Board papers. If a director has, or believes he or she may have, a conflict of interest in relation to a matter which Management has not detected, the director is required to advise the Board Secretary and the potential conflict declared at the Board Meeting.

Where a director declares a conflict of interest, the director is required to leave the Board Meeting before discussion in relation to the item begins. In the director's absence, the Board determines whether the director may participate in the discussion and the decision. If the Board determines that the director should not be involved, they remain outside the Meeting until the item is completed.

6. No conflicts of interest have been registered.
7. Board Members are remunerated in accordance with the Commonwealth's Remuneration Tribunal.
8. The *Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (Efic) Act 1991* (Cth) Act governs dismissal of directors (ss.42 and 43) and the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act (PGPA) 2013* (Cth).
9. No.

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10. Government Board Member

11. Catering costs:

Board Meeting	Catering costs	Amount	Total
22 October 2015	Board food (fruit plate, coffee, tea)	\$ 67.02	
1 December 2015	Board food (fruit plate, coffee, tea)	\$ 67.02	
25 February 2016	Board food (fruit plate, coffee, tea)	\$ 76.21	\$210.25

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Question No 9

Program: DFAT

Topic: Corporate cars

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many cars are owned by each department/agency?
 - A. Where are the cars located?*
 - B. What are the cars used for?*
 - C. What is the cost of each car during the specified period?*
 - D. How far did each car travel during the specified period?**
- 2. How many cars are leased by each department/agency?
 - A. Where are the cars located?*
 - B. What are the cars used for?*
 - C. What is the cost of each car during the specified period?*
 - D. How far did each car travel during the specified period?**

Answer

1. Efic owns 5 cars:
 - A. The cars are located in Sydney.
 - B. The cars are part of personal employment packages.
 - C. The cars are fully costed to personal employment packages.
 - D.

Car	Kms
1	969
2	5,500
3	25,305
4	1
5	441

2. None

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Question No 10

Program: DFAT

Topic: Payment of accounts

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others?*
- 2. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days?*
- 3. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days?*
- 4. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days?*
- 5. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days? f) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days?*
- 6. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since Estimates, 2014?*
- 7. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?*

Answer

1. Efic's policy is to make payments three times per month.
2. 100%.
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.
5. Not applicable.

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Question No 11

Program: DFAT

Topic: Hire cars

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars during the specified period? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.*
- 2. What are the reasons for hire car costs?*
- 3. How much did the department spend on hire cars during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?*

Answer

1. Efic's systems do not readily enable the separation of this information from total travel expenses. To manually breakdown records to supply the information required would constitute a significant diversion of resources. Efic records its total travel expenditure in its Annual Report.
2. Efic staff may hire cars when conducting work travel in line with the provisions of Efic's Corporate Travel Policy and Procedures.
3. Not applicable.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 12

Program: DFAT

Topic: Credit cards

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card.***
- 2. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused?***
- 3. Have there been any changes to how corporate credit card use is monitored?***
- 4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so:***
- 5. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.***
- 6. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?***
- 7. How many credit cards available to the Minister or their office? If so, please list by classification. Have there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? Has any action been taken against the Minister or their office for credit card misuse? If so, list each occurrence, including the cost of the misuse.***

Answer

1. A total of 74 Efic staff have a corporate credit card. This includes 7 SES-equivalent staff, and 67 non-SES equivalent staff.
2. Nil.
Efic has established policies governing the use of corporate credit cards and a system of monitoring credit card expenditure to prevent misuse. Where appropriate, instances of suspected corporate credit card misuse would be investigated in line with Efic's Incident & Breach Escalation Policy.
3. Nil.

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Staff must account and provide documentation for all expenses paid on corporate credit card accounts. This is regularly monitored and checked by designated staff and the signatory executive. Department expenses are subject to Efic's regular audit processes and staff complete regular compliance training on anti-corruption and fraud policies.

4. Nil.

5. Not applicable.

6. Nil.

7. Not applicable.

[Efic is not an APS body and therefore APS employment classifications do not apply to EFIC staff.]

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Question No 13

Program: DFAT

Topic: Functions

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister, Include:***
 - A. *The guest list of each function***
 - B. *The party or individual who initiated the request for the function***
 - C. *The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function***
 - D. *A list of drinks consumed at the function***

- 2. *Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office. Breakdown by item, quantity and cost.***

Answer

Not applicable to Efic.

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Question No 14

Program: DFAT

Topic: Red Tape Review

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please detail changes to structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets?*
 - A. What is the progress of that red tape reduction target?*
- 2. How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level?*
- 3. How have they been recruited?*
- 4. What process was used for their appointment?*
- 5. What is the total cost of this unit?*
- 6. What is the estimated total salary cost of the officers assigned to the unit. _*
- 7. Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents?*
- 8. Lease list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body._*
- 9. What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department?*

Answer

Refer to response to question on notice 94.

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Question No 15

Program: DFAT

Topic: Occupancy

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. How much land (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease?**
- 2. Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department, or agency or authority or Government Corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore land upon which Australian Defence force bases are located. Non-Defence Force base land is to be included)**
- 3. List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above.**
 - a. What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)?**
 - b. What is the value of the items identified in (3)?**
 - c. What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)?**
- 4. How many buildings (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease?**
- 5. Please list by each building owned, its name, the size of the building in terms of square metres, the location of that of that building and the latest valuation of that building, where that building is owned by the Department, or agency or authority or Government corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore buildings that are situated on Australian Defence force bases. Non Defence Force base buildings are to be included).**
- 6. In regards to any building identified in Q4, please also detail, the occupancy rate as expressed as a percentage of the building size. If**

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occupancy is identified as less than 100%, for what is the remaining space used?

Answer

1. 821m².
2. Sydney: 821m², 22 Pitt Street Sydney NSW, \$13,700,000.00, owned.
3. 11 storey commercial office building.
 - a. 100% occupied by various commercial tenants, including EFIC.
 - b. \$33,000,000.00 (includes depreciation, and excludes land value)
 - c. Various commercial property leases.
4. 1 building.
5.
 - a. Export House.
 - b. 6585m².
 - c. 22 Pitt Street Sydney, NSW 2000.
 - d. \$47,000,000.00.
6. 100%.

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Question No 16

Program: DFAT

Topic: Temporary Staff

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff?*
- 2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed?*
- 3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed?*
- 4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?*
- 5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?*

Answer

1. Efic defines temporary staff as non-ongoing staff (not external contractors or agency temps). Efic has spent approximately \$217,942 (excluding superannuation) on temporary staff.

2. 3.

3. 7.

4. \$59,400 was paid for agencies to find temporary staff.

5. No.

[Note: Efic is not an Australian Public Service body. Efic staff are employed under the Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (Efic) Act 1991 (Cth).]

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Question No 17

Program: DFAT

Topic: Printing

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please list all documents that have been printed at the expense of the department/agency were 500 copies have been produced? Please include the total number produced as well?*
 - A. How many of these printed documents were also published online?*
- 2. Has the Department/Agency used external printing services for any print jobs?*
 - A. If so, what companies were used?*
 - B. How were they selected?*
 - C. What was the total cost of this printing by item?*

Answer

1. Nil.
2. Yes.
 - A. Kwik Copy, No Time To Lose.
 - B. Existing suppliers.
 - C. Marketing collateral - \$12,948.87.
Annual Report - \$6,026.40.

Business cards - \$317.65

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Question No 18

Program: DFAT

Topic: Communications staff

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:**
- 2. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.**
- 3. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location**
- 4. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location**
- 5. How many are graphic designers?**
- 6. How many are media managers?**
- 7. How many organise events?**
- 8. Have these arrangements changed since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015? If yes, please detail.**

Answer

2. There are no staff with dedicated public relations, communication or media roles. However, Efic's marketing team of 5 ongoing non-SES equivalent staff carry out such functions when required. All staff are located at Efic's premises – 22 Pitt Street, Sydney.
3. There are 2 non-ongoing staff (both non-SES equivalent). One is a Public Relations consultant and the other a short-term agency employee working on a marketing project to launch a new product. Both staff are located at Efic's premises – 22 Pitt Street, Sydney.
4. See answer to Question 2.
5. 1.
6. Nil.
7. 1.
8. No.

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Question No 19

Program: DFAT

Topic: Reviews

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *How many new reviews (defined as review, inter-departmental group, inquiry, internal review or similar activity) have been commenced? Please list them including:***
 - A. the date they were ordered***
 - B. the date they commenced***
 - C. the minister responsible***
 - D. the department responsible***
 - E. the nature of the review***
 - F. their terms of reference***
 - G. the scope of the review***
 - H. Who is conducting the review***
 - I. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review***
 - J. the expected report date***
 - K. the budgeted, projected or expected costs***
 - L. If the report will be tabled in parliament or made public***
- 2. *For any review commenced or ordered, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review?***
 - A. If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names***
 - B. If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent***
 - C. If yes, for each is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each cost item***
 - D. If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement***
 - E. If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.***

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- F. *If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them***
- G. *If yes, for each, who selected them***
- H. *If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them,***
- *If yes, please detail what involvement it was***
 - *If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list***
 - *If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur***
 - *If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department***
 - *If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur***
- 3. *Which reviews are on-going?***
- A. *Please list them.***
- B. *What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?***
- 4. *Have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.***
- 5. *Which reviews have concluded? Please list them.***
- 6. *How many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided.***
- 7. *When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?***
- 8. *What reviews are planned?***
- A. *When will each planned review be commenced?***
- B. *When will each of these reviews be concluded?***
- C. *When will government respond to each review?***
- D. *Will the government release each review?***
- *If so, when? If not, why not?***

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Answer

1. No new reviews have commenced
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.
4. No.
5. The Functional and Efficiency Review of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.
6. Refer to response to question on notice 19.
7. Refer to response to question on notice 19.
8. Efic is not aware of any planned reviews.

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Question No 20

Program: DFAT

Topic: Commissioned reports

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *How many reports (including paid external advice) have been commissioned by the Minister, department or agency?***
 - A. *Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.***
- 2. *How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental or external staff were involved in each report and at what level?***
- 3. *What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?***

Answer

1. Efic did not commission any reports.
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.

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Question No 21

Program: DFAT

Topic: Board Appointments

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please detail any board appointments made to date.*
- 2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?*
- 3. Has the department instigated of changed its gender ratio target and/or any other policy intended to increase the participation rate of women on boards? If yes, please specify what the target and policy is for each board. Please specify when these gender ratio or participation policies were changed.*

Answer

1. There have been no Board appointments in the specified time period.
2. There are currently eight Board members on Efic's Board. The gender ratio is 37.5% female and 62.5% male.
3. The Minister for Trade and Investment is responsible for the appointment of members of the Board who are non-executive directors, except for the Managing Director who is a full time employee of Efic.

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Question No 22

Program: DFAT

Topic: Stationery

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much has been spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio to date?
 - A. Detail the items provided to the minister's office.*
 - B. Please specify how many reams of paper have been supplied to the Minister's office.**
- 2. How much has been spent on departmental stationery requirements to date.*
- 3. Has any customised stationery been requested or provided to the Minister or Ministerial Staff? If yes, please include a photo/scan, detail the type of stationery, date it was requested, date it was provided and the cost.*

Answer

1. Not applicable.
2. Stationery costs for the period from September 2015 to date were \$2,442.54.
3. Not applicable.

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Question No 23

Program: DFAT

Topic: Electronic equipment to Ministerial offices

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *Other than phones, ipads or computers – please list the electronic equipment provided to the Minister’s office.***
 - A. *List the items***
 - B. *List the items location or normal location***
 - C. *List if the item is in the possession of the office or an individual staff member of minister, if with an individual list their employment classification level***
 - D. *List the total cost of the items***
 - E. *List an itemised cost breakdown of these items***
 - F. *List the date they were provided to the office. Note if the items were requested by the office or proactively provided by the department***

Answer

Not applicable.

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Question No 24

Program: DFAT

Topic: Media subscriptions

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?**
 - A. Please provide a list of channels and the reason for each channel.*
 - B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
 - C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?*
 - D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
- 2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?**
 - A. Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.*
 - B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
 - C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?*
 - D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
- 3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?**
 - A. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.*
 - B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
 - C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?*
 - D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
- 4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?**
 - A. Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.*

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B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?

C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?

D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period

Answer

[Note: Efic does not provide any media subscriptions for the Minister's Office.]

1.

Efic subscribes to FOXTEL's Business Package. Subscription to this package is for the purpose of staff use and enables access to relevant current affairs, business, and financial and public affairs information relevant to Efic work.

The cost of Efic's pay-tv subscription since 14 September to date were \$1,260.

2. Efic has subscriptions for the following newspapers:

- Sydney Morning Herald
- Australian Financial Review
- The Australian
- The Daily Telegraph
- The Financial Times

All newspaper subscriptions are for the purposes of staff use and enable access to relevant business, financial and other news relevant to Efic work.

EFIC records newspaper and magazine subscription expenditure in aggregate. Newspaper and magazine subscription costs for the period 14 September 2015 to date were \$25,651. No subscriptions are provided to the Minister's Office.

3. EFIC's magazine and other publication subscriptions include the following:

- Trade Finance
- The Economist
- Thomson Reuters IFR
- KangaNews
- MiningNews.net
- Project Finance
- Basis Point
- Australian Taxation Reporter
- AB&F

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- AFMA

- Global Capital

All magazine/other publication subscriptions are for the purposes of staff use and enable access to business, financial and other news relevant to EFIC work. No magazine or other publication are provided to the Minister's Office.

4. See answer to Question 2 for aggregate expenditure for Questions 2-4.

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Question No 25

Program: DFAT

Topic: Meetings

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.***
- 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.***
- 3. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.***
- 4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.***

Answer

1.

Efic's reporting systems do not capture expenditure in such a way that would readily enable the requested breakdown of meeting expenditure only. To manually collect this information would entail a significant and unreasonable diversion of resources.

Efic is a Corporate Commonwealth Entity with well-established policies on the proper management of hospitality and entertainment expenses. All staff must justify the purpose of, and maintain written records for each item of hospitality or entertainment expenditure. All expenditure and supporting documentation is reviewed and must be approved by Efic's cost centre managers (head of department level) to ensure the criteria for expenditure has been met; department heads' expenditure must in turn receive Executive approval.

Efic's hospitality and entertainment spending for FY15-16 is expected to be in line with the entertainment and hospitality budget for FY15-16.

2. Not applicable.

3. See answer to Question 1.

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4. Not applicable.

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Question No 26

Program: DFAT

Topic: Media training

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information:***
 - A. *Total spending on these services***
 - B. *An itemised cost breakdown of these services***
 - C. *The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification***
 - D. *The number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification***
 - E. *The names of all service providers engaged***
 - F. *The location that this training was provided***
- 2. *For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1), please provide:***
 - A. *The name and nature of the service purchased***
 - B. *Whether the service is one-on-one or group based***
 - C. *The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)***
 - D. *The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)***
 - E. *The total amount spent on the service***
 - F. *A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)***
- 3. *Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:***
- 4. *The location used***
- 5. *The number of employees who took part on each occasion***
- 6. *The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)***
- 7. *Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location***

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Answer

1.
 - A. \$4,116.00.
 - B. Media training for Efic's Executive Director, Corporate, Sovereign & Project Finance - \$3,000.00, expenses - \$816.00, disbursement fee - \$300.00.
 - C. 1 SES equivalent staff member.
 - D. 1 SES equivalent staff member.
 - E. Senate SHJ.
 - F. Efic's own premises – 22 Pitt Street, Sydney, NSW.
2.
 - A. Media training.
 - B. One to one.
 - C. 1 SES equivalent staff member.
 - D. 4 hours for 1 SES equivalent staff member.
 - E. \$4,116.00.
 - F. Complete package.
 - G. Senate SHJ.
 - H. Efic's own premises – 22 Pitt Street, Sydney, NSW.
3. Not applicable.
4. Efic's own premises – 22 Pitt Street, Sydney, NSW.
5. 1 SES equivalent staff member.
6. Nil.

[Note: Efic is not an Australian Public Service body. Efic staff are employed under the Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (Efic) Act 1991 (Cth).]

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Question No 27

Program: DFAT

Topic: Consulting Services

Question in Writing

Senator Ludlam

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many consultancies have been undertaken? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.*
- 2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.*
- 3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
 - A. List each, including name, cost and purpose*
 - B. If so, why?**

Answer

1. 1 consultancy was undertaken.

Name	BRS Consulting
Subject matter	Work health and safety assessment for Efic's office fit-out
Duration	20 hours
Cost	\$2000
Method of procurement	Direct source

2. There are currently no consultancies planned for this calendar year.
3. No.

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Question No 28

Program: DFAT

Topic: Electronic equipment for Ministerial offices

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone has been provided and the costs?
 - A. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification**
- 2. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency? If yes provide a list of:*
- 3. What is provided?*
- 4. The purchase cost.*
- 5. The ongoing cost.*
- 6. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc).*
- 7. A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.*

Answer

Not applicable. Efic does not provide electronic equipment for Ministerial offices.

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Question No 29

Program: DFAT

Topic: Electronic equipment for Departmental staff

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency to departmental staff? If yes provide a list of:*
- 2. What has been provided?*
- 3. The purchase cost.*
- 4. The ongoing cost.*
- 5. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc). A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.*

Answer

1. Yes. Efic is currently replacing all PCs.
2. Microsoft Surface Pro 4 and Dell Precision Laptop.
- 3.

Item	Number of Items	Item Cost	Total Cost
Microsoft Surface Pro 4	106	\$2502.50 - \$2973.08	\$268,088.48
Dell Precision 5510	7	\$4062.3	\$28,436.10
Apple iPhone 6	3	\$1080	\$3240
Apple iPhone 6s	9	\$1224	\$11016
Samsung Galaxy s6	2	\$1056	\$2112
Samsung Galaxy s6 Edge	3	\$1224	\$3672

4. Nil.

5.

Item	Number of Items	Item Cost	Total Cost
Surface Pro 4 Cover Keyboard	105	\$157.19	\$16504.95

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Precision Chargers	7	\$78.93	552.48
Logitech Wireless Mouse M560	10	\$50	\$500.00
Laptop Bags	100	\$52.80	\$5280

6. All staff within Efic will be receiving the new technology.

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Question No 30

Program: DFAT

Topic: PCs for Ministerial offices

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used*
- 2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location*
- 3. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs*

Answer

Not applicable. Efic does not provide PCs for Ministerial offices.

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Question No 31

Program: DFAT

Topic: Travel policy and approval

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *Is the minister or their office or their delegate required to approve all departmental and agency international travel?***
 - A. *If so, under what policy?***
 - B. *Provide a copy of that policy.***
 - C. *When was this policy implemented?***
 - D. *When is the minister notified, when is approved provided?***
- 2. *Detail all travel (domestic and international) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).***
- 3. *Detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.***
- 4. *What date was the minister or their office notified of the travel?***
- 5. *What date did the minister or their office approve the travel?***
- 6. *What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.***

Answer

1. Not applicable.
2. Two Efic staff members participated in Indonesia-Australia Business Week (IABW). The total cost was A\$12,300. Note this total includes additional flights/accommodation, as one Efic representative attended additional meetings with exporters, financiers and advisors whilst in the region of South-East Asia.
3. Efic's systems do not record travel data in a way that would readily allow total expenditure to be broken down into the level of detail sought. To attempt to

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extract this data manually would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources. Efic reports its total travel expenditure in its Annual Report.

4. Not applicable
5. Not applicable.
6. Efic's systems do not record planned travel in a way that would readily allow this information to be provided without significant diversion of resources.

All travel is arranged in line with Efic's Corporate Travel Policy and Procedures. This process involves the establishment of a clear business case for travel and a travel request which must be approved by the head of the agency (in the case of international travel) or the relevant delegated authority such as Efic executive or department heads (in the case of domestic travel).

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Question No 32

Program: DFAT

Topic: Grants

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Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What guidelines are in place to administer grants?*
- 2. How are grants applied for?*
- 3. Are there any restrictions on who can apply for a grant? If yes, please detail.*
 - A. Can these restrictions be waved? If yes, please detail the process for waving them and list any grants where the restrictions were waved.*
- 4. What is the procedure for selecting who will be awarded a grant?*
- 5. Who is involved in this selection process?*
- 6. Does the minister or the minister's office play any role in awarding grants? If yes, please detail.*
 - A. Has the minister or the minister's office exercised or attempted to exercise any influence over the awarding of any grants? If yes, please detail.*
- 7. Provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc, one-off discretionary grants awarded to date. Provide the recipients, amount, intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those locations.*
- 8. Update the status of each grant that was approved prior to the specified period, but did not have financial contracts in place at that time. Provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those grants.*

Answer

Not applicable. Efic does not administer grants.

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Question No 33

Program: DFAT

Topic: Rebranding

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the department/Agency undergone a name change or any other form of rebranding? If so:

a. Please detail why this name change / rebrand were considered necessary and a justified use of departmental funds? Please provide a copy of any reports that were commissioned to study the benefits and costs associated with the rebranding.

b. Please provide the total cost associated with this rebrand and then break down by amount spent replacing:

i. Signage.

ii. Stationery (please include details of existing stationery and how it was disposed of).

iii. Logos

iv. Consultancy

v. Any relevant IT changes.

vi. Office reconfiguration.

c. How was the decision reached to rename and/or rebrand the department?

i. Who was involved in reaching this decision? ii. Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) from within the department, or between the department and the government regarding the rename/rebranding.

Answer

1. Efic has not undergone any rebranding.

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Question No 34

Program: DFAT

Topic: Media monitoring

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office during the specified period?

A. Which agency or agencies provided these services?

B. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?

C. Itemise these expenses.

2. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency during the specified period?

A. Which agency or agencies provided these services?

B. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?

C. Itemise these expenses.

Answer

1. Not applicable.

2. \$12,556.06.

A. ISENTIA.

B. There were no additional costs.

C. There were no additional expenses other than monthly service cost and clippings services.

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Question No 35

Program: DFAT

Topic: Communication guidelines - Ministerial

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. *Does the minister's office have a procedure manual for communication between the minister's office and the department? If yes, please provide a copy and:***
- 2. *When was the manual last updated?***
- 3. *Who is responsible for updating the manual?***
- 4. *Who is the manual distributed to?***
- 5. *Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the department?***

Answer

Not applicable.

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Question No 36

Program: DFAT

Topic: Enterprise Bargaining

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. *Please list all related Enterprise Bargaining Agreements with coverage of the department.***
- 2. *Please list their starting and expiration dates.***
- 3. *What is the current status of negotiations for the next agreement/s? Please detail.***

Answer

1. Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (Efic) Workplace Agreement 2008-2011.
2. 11 February 2008 to 11 February 2011. This EBA is still operational, despite its expiration date.
3. Efic does not intend to negotiate a replacement enterprise agreement at this time.

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Question No 37

Program: DFAT

Topic: Existing resource programs

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many projects, work, programs or other tasks has the department started as a consequence of government policies or priorities that are required to be funded 'within existing resources'?*
- 2. List each*
- 3. List the staffing assigned to each task*
- 4. What is the nominal total salary cost of the officers assigned to the project?*
- 5. What resources or equipment has been assigned to the project?*

Answer

Not applicable.

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Question No 38

Program: DFAT

Topic: Contracts

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. Do any contracts managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticising Government policy? If so, please name each contact. When was it formed or created?**
- 2. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?**
- 3. Do any agreements managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticisms of Government policy? If so, please name each agreement. When was it formed or created?**
- 4. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?**
- 5. For each of the contracts and agreements, are there any particular reason, such as genuine commercial in confidence information, for this restriction?**
- 6. Have any changes to financial or resource support to services which advocate on behalf of groups or individuals in Australian society been made? If so, which groups? What was the change?**
- 7. Has any consultation occurred between the Department/Agency and any individuals and/or community groups about these changes? If so, what consultation process was used? Was it public? If not, why not? Are public submissions available on a website?**
- 8. If no consultation has occurred, why not?**
- 9. Did the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary meet with any stakeholders about changes to advocacy in their contracts and/or agreements? If so, when? Who did he/she meet with?**

Answer

1. No contracts managed by Efic contain specific limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticising Government policy.
2. Not applicable.

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3. No agreements managed by Efic contain specific limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticising Government policy.
4. Not applicable.
5. Not applicable.
6. No.
7. Not applicable.
8. Not applicable.
9. No.

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Question No 39

Program: DFAT

Topic: Statutory Review Provisions

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a statutory review provision/s. For each, please provide:

- 1. What work has been done towards preparing for the review? If none, why not?**
- 2. Please provide a schedule or a work plan for the review**
- 3. When did/will this work begin?**
- 4. When is/was the review due to commence.**
- 5. What is the expected report date.**
- 6. Who is the minister responsible for the review**
- 7. What department is responsible for the review**
- 8. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.**
- 9. List the terms of reference.**
- 10. What is the scope of the review.**
- 11. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review?**
- 12. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?**
- 13. When was the Minister briefed on this matter?**
- 14. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?**
- 15. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review**
- 16. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?**

Answer

Not applicable.

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Question No 40

Program: DFAT

Topic: Sunset provisions

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a sunset provision/s. For each, please provide:**
 - A. What work has been done towards preparing for the activation of sunset provisions? If no work has commenced, why not?**
 - B. Has any consideration been given to delaying or alerting the sunset provisions?**
 - C. Please provide a schedule or a workplan for the sunset provisions becoming active**
 - D. When did/will this work begin?**
- 2. Will there be any reviews of or relating to the legislation before or after the sunset provision is enacted? If yes:**
 - A. When is/was the review due to commence.**
 - B. What is the expected report date.**
 - C. Who is the minister responsible for the review**
 - D. What department is responsible for the review**
 - E. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.**
 - F. List the terms of reference.**
 - G. What is the scope of the review.**
 - H. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review?**
 - I. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?**
 - J. When was the Minister briefed on this matter?**
 - K. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?**

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L. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review

M. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?

Answer

Not applicable.

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Question No 41

Program: DFAT

Topic: Legal fees

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency*
- 2. List the total cost for these items, broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or taken to prepare the advice and the level of counsel used in preparing the advice, whether the advice was internal or external*
- 3. List cost spend briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spent briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial)*
- 4. How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice*

Answer

Please note:

- All costs are from 14 September to 29 February 2016.
 - Gross costs are provided noting some of Efic's legal spend for transactions is recoverable from Efic's clients.
 - Costs are inclusive of legal spending associated with Efic's Commercial Account and the National Interest Account which Efic administers on behalf of Government.
 - A list of each legal service and individual cost cannot be provided as this would constitute a significant diversion of Efic resources.
1. Legal costs incurred for external legal advice/services is approximately \$258,000, comprised of approximately \$90,000 in non-recoverable legal costs and \$168,000 in recovered or recoverable legal costs from Efic's clients. External legal services are not recorded in a way to enable a full list of advice/services and their costs to be broken down.
 2. **Internal legal advice/services:**
Efic maintains an in-house legal function which provides the majority of corporate and transactional legal advice/services to the organisation.

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Internal legal services are not recorded in a way to enable a full list of advice/services and their costs to be broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or time taken to prepare the advice without undertaking an unduly burdensome administrative exercise.

External legal advice/services:

From 14 September to 29 February 2016, Efic's gross spend for external legal services (including any payable disbursements and GST) comprised of approximately \$90,000 in non-recoverable legal costs and \$168,000 in recovered or recoverable legal costs from Efic's clients. These recovered or recoverable external legal costs are generally incurred in connection with transactions where Efic is providing financial or insurance products or services to its clients.

External legal services are not recorded in a way to enable a full list of advice/services and their costs to be broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or time taken to prepare the advice. This would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances; Efic does not consider the additional work can be justified.

3. Nil. Efic did not engage any Counsel to advise on Efic related matters in the relevant period.
4. Internal legal advice is generally procured to assist in the origination, execution and management of transactions or for general corporate purposes.

Generally, external legal services are procured in circumstances where specialist experience is required. It is Efic's practice to ensure that appropriately qualified external lawyers are engaged on assignments and that their costs are kept to reasonable levels. To assist in this process, all external legal engagements must be authorised by Efic's internal legal function.

External legal services from domestic law firms are obtained from legal services providers which have been appointed to the Commonwealth's Legal Services Multi-Use List and in accordance with the requirements as set out in the Legal Services Directions 2005 and Legal Services Multi-Use List Guidance Material Reference.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 42

Program: DFAT

Topic: Communication guidelines - Department

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. *Does the department have a procedure manual for communication between the department and the minister? If yes, please provide a copy and:***
- 2. *When was the manual last updated?***
- 3. *Who is responsible for updating the manual?***
- 4. *Has the minister's office had any input into the content of the manual? If so, please detail.***
- 5. *Who is the manual distributed to?***
- 6. *Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the minister or the minister's office?***

Answer

Not Applicable.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 43

Program: DFAT

Topic: Vending machines

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *Has the department/agency purchased or leased or taken under contract any vending machine facilities?***
 - A. *If so, list these***
 - B. *If so, list the total cost for these items***
 - C. *If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure***
 - D. *If so, where were these purchased***
 - E. *If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased***
 - F. *If so, what is the current location for these items?***
 - G. *If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?***

Answer

1. No.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 44

Program: DFAT

Topic: Self-initiated work

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. *Does the department have a program for staff to engage in self-initiated work (projects, plans etc that are devised by staff without being directed by the minister's office or department management)?***
- 2. *Please list all ongoing projects. For each, please detail:***
- 3. *When did the project commence?***
- 4. *When is it expected to conclude?***
- 5. *What will the total cost of the project be?***
- 6. *Where did the money for the project come from?***
- 7. *Where is the project based?***

Answer

No.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 45

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff awards

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *Has the Department / Agency given out awards to staff for any reason?
If yes:***
 - A. *What was the reason for the awards?***
 - B. *What was the criteria for the awards?***
 - C. *What form did the award take? (e.g. Certificate, gift vouchers etc)***
 - D. *How much was spent on the award?***

- 2. *How were the awards presented?***

- 3. *Who presented the awards?***

- 4. *Was there a ceremony or party for the awards? If yes:***
 - A. *Where was it held?***
 - B. *Was there a fee for the venue? If yes, how much?***
 - C. *How much was spent on catering?***
 - D. *How many people attended?***
 - E. *Did the minister attend?***
 - F. *Did the minister's staff attend? If yes, how many?***

Answer

1. Yes.
 - A. Spot bonuses are awarded to reinforce corporate values, acknowledge teamwork, input and exceptional efforts.

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Service recognition awards recognise significant periods of continuous employment with Efic.

Ad hoc awards are given at various Efic functions to boost staff morale and encourage participation.

- B. Spot bonuses are awarded by peer and management nomination. Nominations are reviewed and approved by the Executive.

Service recognition awards are provided to staff that have had 10 years of continuous employment at Efic and at 5 year intervals thereafter. These awards are administered by the Executive.

Ad hoc awards have varying criteria, depending on the circumstances (e.g. staff competitions).

- C. Spot bonuses and service recognition awards are in the form of gift vouchers.

Ad hoc awards can take a varying forms, typically presents/gifts.

- D. Efic awarded 6 spot bonuses of \$200 each.

Efic awarded 10 service recognition awards with the total value of \$6,200.

Ad hoc awards have varying costs, but are generally of nominal value.

2. Spot bonuses and service recognition awards are presented to the individual/team in an informal/one-to-one manner.

Ad hoc awards are presented in various ways, depending on the circumstances (e.g. presentation at staff Christmas party).

3. Spot bonuses and service recognition awards are presented by the relevant Head of Department or Executive.

Ad hoc awards are presented by various Efic staff, depending on the circumstances.

4. No.

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Question No 46

Program: DFAT

Topic: Change management

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. *Has the Department/Agency engaged in a policy of Change Management? If yes:***
 - A. *Please detail the policy.***
 - B. *When was the policy introduced?***
 - C. *What are the goals of the policy?***
 - D. *How much was spent on consulting for the policy and who was contracted for this consultation?***
 - E. *How much was spent implementing this policy?***

Answer

No.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 47

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff misconduct

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct.*
- 2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff?*
 - A. If yes, list the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level.*
 - B. If yes, what remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?*
 - C. If yes, when was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?*
 - D. If yes, were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.*

Answer

1. Efic's Code of Conduct and Code of Conduct Addendum are attached.
2. There have been no breaches of the Code of Conduct by Efic staff.

CODE OF CONDUCT ADDENDUM

Issued by: HR

Last reviewed: December 2014

Outline

This addendum is to be read alongside the Code of Conduct which is outlined in section 15 of the [EFIC Workplace Agreement](#).

Addendum

Acceptance of gifts and entertainment

There is a general recognition within EFIC that the receipt of hospitality or entertainment, and to a limited extent gifts, is acceptable provided that proper disclosure is made and appropriate ethical and related policies and guidelines are followed.

EFIC employees should make a diary note of any gift, hospitality or entertainment received in connection with their employment and then notify their Manager that they have accepted the gift, hospitality or entertainment. For the purposes of this policy, gifts may include travel and or accommodation provided by a host in connection with a conference.

Employees are to seek approval from the Board Secretary of any gift, hospitality or entertainment received which exceeds AUD \$300.00 in value. The Board Secretary is to seek approval from the Managing Director of any gift, hospitality or entertainment received which exceeds AUD \$300.00 in value. This amount may be increased at any time at the discretion of the Executive. The Executive will decide whether gifts will be kept by the employee, handed over to EFIC or returned to the giver.

In accepting any gift, hospitality or entertainment, the employee should consider the motivation for the offer and the value of the benefit being provided. Acceptance of gifts, hospitality or entertainment will NOT usually be appropriate if the company or person making the gift or offer of hospitality or entertainment are involved in a tender process with EFIC, either for the procurement of goods and services or sale of assets, or the subject of a decision within the discretionary power or substantial influence of the EFIC employee concerned. If the employee considers that the motivation could reasonably fall into any of the above categories, then that employee should have regard to EFIC's Anti-Corruption Policy and related anti-bribery procedures and should immediately seek advice from both their Manager and EFIC's legal department.

Use of EFIC computers

Employees may use EFIC's computer equipment for EFIC business or limited personal use which is not in conflict with EFIC's interests.

Employees must abide by EFIC's [Corporate Information Security Policy](#) and the [Information Security Charter](#) (which are available on the Intranet) as in force from time to time.

Political activity - comments on political matters

Employees should not make any comment on political matters in their capacity as EFIC employees.

Covert Recording

It is a requirement that staff do not undertake covert recordings of other people in the building or outside the building when undertaking work activities.



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CODE OF CONDUCT

ISSUED BY: Human Resources
POLICY SCOPE: All EFIC Staff
LAST REVIEWED: March 2013

POLICY STATEMENT

The Code of Conduct is a principal policy that applies to all EFIC staff and management, including the Executive. This policy is also accessible from within the [EFIC Workplace Agreement 2008-11](#).

This policy should be read in conjunction with the [Code of Conduct Addendum](#).

OBJECTIVES

The EFIC Code of Conduct outlines the obligations and responsibilities of all employees employed by EFIC. EFIC employees are required to comply with the Code of Conduct.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY

In their employment, employees have a responsibility to:

- be impartial and objective;
- consider matters on their merits;
- perform to the best of their ability, with honesty and integrity;
- treat everyone with courtesy and respect, without coercion or harassment of any kind;
- not participate in corrupt practices, including bribing foreign officials¹ or accepting undisclosed benefits for or from any third party;
- not pursue personal interests which may conflict with EFIC's interests; and
- comply with applicable Australian laws and EFIC's policies, procedures and guidelines as amended from time to time.

FINANCIAL AND OTHER PRIVATE INTERESTS

(a) Official Duty and Private Interest

Employees must make a written declaration to EFIC if their private interests (financial or other) may, or may be perceived to, conflict with EFIC's interests. Some examples of situations which must be declared are where an employee:

- holds a position of influence in connection with a company or an organisation which is a supplier to EFIC or which has applied to EFIC for a financial facility;
- holds shares in, or is a member of, a company or an organisation that is a supplier to EFIC or which has applied to EFIC for a financial facility.

In addition, any employee who has had a prior dealing or association (direct or indirect) with an organisation which could be seen to influence their impartiality, should offer, in writing, to exclude themselves from EFIC's dealings with the relevant organisation.

All EFIC employees are expected to be familiar with the Code of Conduct as amended from time to time. In addition, the employee must inform EFIC in writing of every actual or potential conflict of interest of which they become aware, including in relation to the employee's immediate Family. Declarations in connection with conflicts of interest should be given to the relevant Executive.

¹ This is a reference to the *Crimes Act 1914* (Cth) and the *Criminal Code Amendment (Bribery of Foreign Public Officials) Act 1999* (Cth)

(b) Acceptance of Gifts and Entertainment

EFIC employees should make a diary note of any gift, hospitality or entertainment received in connection with their employment that is specifically targeted at the EFIC employee. Diary notes are not required for public events or hospitality that involve a number of entities, unless in the employee's judgment the invitation to the event or the hospitality could be construed to relate to business matters under consideration by EFIC.

In accepting any gifts, hospitality or entertainment, the employee should consider the motivation for the offer and the value of the benefit being provided.

Employees are to advise the Board Secretary of any gift received which exceeds AUD 60.00 in value. This amount may be increased at any time at the discretion of the Board Secretary. The Managing Director will decide whether gifts will be kept by the employee, handed over to EFIC or returned to the giver.

(c) Inducements

Employees should not accept inducements that may, or may be seen to, influence them in the performance of their official duties. The relevant Executive must be promptly advised of any attempt to improperly influence the employee.

(d) Outside Employment

An EFIC employee who wishes to engage in any outside employment or voluntary positions which may impact adversely upon their employment with EFIC, is required to obtain prior written approval from the relevant Executive. Appointments in this case include appointment as Non-Executive Directors to Boards.

FRAUD CONTROL PROGRAM

Employees have a responsibility to make themselves aware of, and comply with, EFIC's Fraud Control Program. The Program document, as in force from time to time, will be displayed on the EFIC intranet site.

USE OF INFORMATION

(a) Confidential Records

Employees are required to respect the confidentiality of, and keep secret, any information or documentation concerning EFIC and EFIC's clients to which they have access as a result of their employment with EFIC.

Employees must not use information or records for any improper purpose, and should take all steps to safeguard the confidentiality of confidential information and documentation.

Employees are obliged to observe the secrecy provisions of Section 87 of the EFIC Act as in force from time to time. If employees have difficulty interpreting this Act, they should contact the Legal Department.

Employees are also obliged to comply with the confidentiality provisions of the EFIC Act even after they cease to be employed by EFIC.

Details of the confidentiality obligations of employees are set out in the Confidentiality Policy, which can be found on the EFIC intranet site. Employees must familiarise themselves with the Confidentiality Policy as in force from time to time.

(b) Intellectual Property

EFIC retains ownership of all specific knowledge, documentation, processes and technologies developed by an employee in the performance of their duties.

(c) Public Comment

Unless an employee has been nominated by the Executive as a spokesperson, an employee should decline to make public comment on any issues relating to political matters (in their capacity as an EFIC employee), EFIC business, EFIC's clients, or employment with EFIC.

USE OF EFIC COMPUTERS

EFIC's computer equipment is provided to conduct EFIC business and may be used for limited appropriate personal use which is not in conflict with EFIC's interests.

Employees must abide by EFIC's IT Security Policy and Guidelines and the Internet Communications Policy, which can be found on the EFIC intranet site.

PERSONAL BEHAVIOUR

(a) Duty of Care

Employees have a duty of care in the performance of their role. They should ensure to the best of their ability that all information distributed is accurate, complete and balanced.

(b) Performance of Duties

Employees are required to perform their job diligently and to the best of their ability, and accept reasonable direction from their manager.

Employees must exercise due care in the use of all EFIC property, in order to minimise potential risk of loss or damage.

(c) Use of Facilities for Private Purposes

EFIC allows employees reasonable access to EFIC's facilities for private purposes provided this does not conflict with their job responsibilities or with EFIC's interests.

Employees are expected not to misuse this privilege and should obtain prior approval from their manager for any extended or extraordinary use of EFIC facilities.

(d) Professional Conduct

EFIC employees should be courteous and professional in their dealings with their colleagues and all representatives of the public, government and business with whom they have contact.

EFIC's commitments to its clients are outlined in the Service Charter and all employees should contribute to the achievement of these commitments.

SANCTION

Failure to follow the Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action and/or dismissal.

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Question No 48

Program: DFAT

Topic: Fee for service

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Have any existing services provided by the department / agency moved from being free to a user-pay service? Have any additional fees been placed on existing services? If yes please provide a list and include:*
- 2. Name of the fee and a short description of what it covers.*
- 3. How much is the fee (and is it a flat fee or a percentage of the service).*
- 4. The date the fee came into place.*
- 5. Were any reviews requested, commenced or complemented into the benefits and drawbacks of attaching the fee to the service? If yes, please detail and provide a copy of the review.*
- 6. What consultation was carried out before the fee was put into place?*
- 7. How was the fee put into place (e.g. through legislation, regulation changes etc)?*
- 8. What justification is there for the fee?*

Answer

No.

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Question No 49

Program: DFAT

Topic: Correspondence to Ministerial Offices

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. *Excluding policy or correspondence briefs, how many documents are provided to the Minister's office on a regular and scheduled basis? Including documents that are not briefs to the minister and do not require ministerial signature.***
- 2. *List those documents, their schedule and their purpose (broken down by ministerial signature and office for noting documents)***
- 3. *How are they transmitted to the office?***
- 4. *What mode of delivery is used (hardcopy, email) for those documents?***
- 5. *What level officer are they provided to in the minister's office?***

Answer

1. 3.
2. Efic's Annual Report (including annual financials), interim financials and Corporate Plan. All documents are provided once a year.
3. Mail.
4. Hardcopy.
5. Addressed to the Minister.

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Question No 50

Program: DFAT

Topic: Merchandise/ promotional material

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has the department purchased any merchandise or promotional material?*
- 2. List by item, and purpose for each item, including if the material is for a specific policy or program or for a generic purpose (note that purpose)*
- 3. List the cost for each item*
- 4. List the quantity of each item*
- 5. Who suggested these material be created?*
- 6. Who approved its creation?*
- 7. Provide copies of authorisation*
- 8. When was the Minister informed of the material being created?*
- 9. Who created the material?*
- 10. How was that person selected?*
- 11. How many individuals or groups were considered in selecting who to create the material?*

Answer

1. Yes.
2. [Note: All items were for the launch of Efic's new Small Business Export Loan]

Supplier	Product	Amount GST EXC	Amount GST INC
Kwik Kop (Angaga)	EficDirect- branded A5 notebooks – 1,300 Units	\$9,379.10	\$10,317.01
Cavendish Marketing	Promotional Mobile Phone	\$699.00	\$768.90

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	Holders – 250 Units		
Promotions Only	Launch Day - Promotional Balloons – 300 Units	\$310.08	\$341.09
Kwik Copy (Angaga)	Custom Sticky Notes (75x75mm) – 500 Units	\$875.50	\$963.05

3. See answer to Question 2.
4. See answer to Question 2.
5. Efic's marketing team.
6. Efic's Head of Marketing and Executive Director, Export Finance were the approving officers.
7. Not applicable.
8. Not applicable.
9. See answer to Question 2
10. Existing suppliers.
- 11.3.

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Question No 51

Program: DFAT

Topic: Website domain

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please provide a breakdown of the domain usage for the 50 most utilised (by data sent and received), unique (internet) domains accessed by the minister's office. Please provide:*
 - A. Domain name of the website being accessed (or IP address if the Domain is unavailable in the tracking system).*
 - B. Amount of data downloaded and uploaded to the site.*
 - C. Number of times the site was accessed.*

Answer

Not applicable.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 52

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial website

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much has been spent on the Minister's website?*
- A. List each item of expenditure and cost*
- 2. Who is responsible for uploading information to the Minister's website?*
- 3. Have any departmental staff been required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Minister's website? Please detail.*

Answer

Not applicable.

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Question No 53

Program: DFAT

Topic: Report printing

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Have any reports, budget papers, statements, white papers or report-like documents printed for or by the department been pulped, put in storage, shredded or disposed of?*
- 2. If so please give details; name of report, number of copies, cost of printing, who order the disposal, reason for disposal.*

Answer

1. No.
2. Not applicable.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 54

Program: DFAT

Topic: Freedom of Information

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many requests for documents under the FOI Act have been received?*
- 2. Of these, how many documents have been determined to be deliberative documents?*
- 3. Of those assessed as deliberative documents:*
 - A. For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest?*
 - B. For how many has a redacted document been provided?*

Answer

1. 2.
2. Nil.
3. Not applicable.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 55

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial Motor vehicles

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the minister been provided with or had access to a motor vehicle?

If so:

A. What is the make and model?

B. How much did it cost?

C. When was it provided?

D. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?

E. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.

F. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?

G. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle.

H. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.

I. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a minister is to use a motor vehicle they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.

J. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.

Answer

Not applicable.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 56

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial Staff vehicles (non-MoPS)

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. *Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle? If so:***
 - A. *What is the make and model?***
 - B. *How much did it cost?***
 - C. *When was it provided?***
 - D. *Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?***
 - E. *What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.***
 - F. *Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?***
 - G. *Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.***
 - H. *Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.***
 - I. *Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.***
 - J. *Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.***

Answer

Not applicable.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 57

Program: DFAT

Topic: Lobbyist Register

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. List all interactions between the department/agency with any representative listed on the lobbyist register*
- 2. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting*
- 3. List all interactions between the Minister/parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with any representative listed on the lobbyist register during the specified period. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting*

Answer

Representative on Lobbyist Register	Date	Participants	Topic of discussion	Arrangement / request for meeting	Location
Bespoke Approach	26 February 2016	X1 Efic staff and Mike Burgess from Bespoke Approach	Northern Australian Infrastructure Facility (NAIF)	Bespoke Approach contacted Efic	Telephone conference call.
Bespoke Approach	29 February 2016	X1 Efic staff and Paul Henderson and Mike Burgess from Bespoke Approach	Potential transaction that may be eligible for Efic financing	Bespoke Approach request	Telephone conference call.
Lopac Consulting	2 February	X1 Efic staff	Explain Efic's	Efic called Lopac	Telephone conversatio

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<i>* Macquarie Group Limited</i>	<i>September – March</i>	<i>Various</i>	<i>Efic products and services and potential facilities.</i>	<i>Various</i>	<i>Various</i>
<i>* KPMG</i>	<i>October 2015 – March 2016</i>	<i>Various</i>	<i>KMPG has been appointed by the ANAO as Efic’s external auditor.</i>	<i>Various</i>	<i>Various</i>

** Efic engagement with these entities occurred multiple times over the specified period. To manually document each engagement and supply the level of detail required would constitute a significant diversion of resources.*

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Question No 58

Program: DFAT

Topic: Workplace assessments

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments?

A. List each item of expenditure and cost

2. Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up?

If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes

Answer

1. \$2,000.
2. Workplace assessment report completed in line with the new building works.
3. Yes.
4. Efic purchased 11 electronic sit-to-stand quiet booths/desks at a total cost of \$55,166.

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Question No 59

Program: DFAT

Topic: Freedom of Information - Statistics

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many FOI requests were received to date.*
- 2. How many of those requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act?*
- 3. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act?*
- 4. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act?*
- 5. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?*

Answer

1. 2.
2. 2.
3. Nil.
4. Nil.
5. Nil.

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Question No 60

Program: DFAT

Topic: Tenders

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times:*
- 2. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times?*
- 3. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued?*
- 4. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?*

Answer

Not applicable. Efic did not re-issue any tenders or issue any tenders multiple times.

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Question No 61

Program: DFAT

Topic: Market research

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. List any market research conducted by the department/agency:*
- A. List the total cost of this research*
- B. List each item of expenditure and cost, broken down by division and program*
- C. Who conducted the research?*
- D. How were they identified?*
- E. Where was the research conducted?*
- F. In what way was the research conducted?*
- G. Were focus groups, round tables or other forms of research tools used?*
- H. How were participants for these focus groups et al selected?*
- I. How was the firm or individual that conducted the review selected?*
- J. What input did the Minister have?*
- K. How was it approved?*
- L. Were other firms or individuals considered? If yes, please detail.*

Answer

1. Exporter Sentiment Research Q4 2015 and Q1 2016 and the Australian International Business Survey 2016 (in partnership with Austrade, Export Council of Australia and University of Sydney).
 - A. \$105,625.
 - B. Exporter Sentiment Research – \$65,625.
Australian International Business Survey – \$40,000.
 - C. Exporter Sentiment Research – East & Partners.
Australian International Business Survey – University of Sydney.
 - D. Both research initiatives are part of ongoing programs.

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Initially East & partners were selected as by evaluating proposals to research briefs for Exporter Sentiment Research.

University of Sydney was part of the proposal developed by Export Council of Australia for the Australian International Business Survey

- E. Not applicable.
- F. Export Sentiment research was conducted via phone interviews.
Australian International Business Survey is an online survey.
- G. No.
- H. Participants in Exporter Sentiment Research were sourced by a random sampling of exporters approached from East & Partners database.
Participants in Australian International Business Survey self-selected to participate.
- I. See answer to Question D.
- J. Nil.
- K. These are both ongoing programs, which were approved by Efic management at the time of initiation.
- L. For Exporter Sentiment Research, DBM Consultants were considered.

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Question No 62

Program: DFAT

Topic: Upgrades

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities?**
 - A. If so, list these**
 - B. If so, list the total cost for these changes**
 - C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure**
 - D. If so, who conducted the works?**
 - E. If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works**
 - F. If so, when are the works expected to be completed?**

Answer

1. Yes.

A. Office refurbishment works on parts of levels 8 – 10 of Export House.

B. \$1,083,706.

C.

Item	Cost
Demolition, Partitions, Joinery & Furniture	\$536,606
Engineering, Electrical, Hydraulic, Fire, Mechanical & Security services	\$289,576
Audio visual equipment upgrade	\$102,844
Building Supervision & Administration	\$63,089
Management & Design Fee	\$25,556
Carpet, Painting & Blinds	\$36,160
Miscellaneous items	\$29,875

D. Akalan Projects & Concept AV.

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E. Selective tender.

F. Works were substantially completed in December 2015.

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Question No 63

Program: DFAT

Topic: Wine coolers/fridges

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any new wine coolers, or wine fridges or other devices for the purpose of housing alcohol beverages, including Eskies?

A. If so, list these

B. If so, list the total cost for these items

C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure

D. If so, where were these purchased

E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased

F. If so, what is the current location for these items?

G. If so, what is the current stocking level for each of these items?

Answer

1. No

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Question No 64

Program: DFAT

Topic: Plants

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any office plants?**
- A. If so, list these**
- B. If so, list the total cost for these items**
- C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure**
- D. If so, where were these purchased**
- E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased**
- F. If so, what is the current location for these items?**

Answer

1. Costs for leasing office plants since September 2015 were \$4475.
 - A. 63 individual pot plants and various assorted office planter boxes and lobby entrance garden plants.
 - B. \$1,477 (ex GST) per month.
 - C.

NEW PLANTS	
Item	Cost per month (excl. GST)
Raphis (x4)	\$73.20
Zanzibar (x13)	\$233.30
Happy (x4)	\$73.20
Sanseveria (x1)	\$12.00
Lady Valentine (x1)	\$18.30
Dracaena Marginata (x1)	\$18.30
Bush Janet Craig (x4)	\$88.00
EXISTING PLANTS	

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Aspidistra (x10)	\$198.10
Aglaonema (x2)	\$12.70
Sensations (x1)	\$18.30
Aglaonema / Superba (x9)	\$57.15
Prayer Plant (x1)	\$6.35
Lomandra (x4)	\$64.44
Mixed variety (x224)	\$371.84
Bush Yucca (x24)	\$72.00
Ficus Lyrata (x4)	\$84.00
Kentia Palm (x4)	\$76.00

- D. Plants are leased and maintained by Green Design Indoor Plant Hire Pty Ltd.
- E. Plant hire supplier arrangements are periodically reviewed in accordance with internal procurement policy requirements.
- F. Various locations within Export House, 22 Pitt St, Sydney, NSW.

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Question No 65

Program: DFAT

Topic: Recreation facilities

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased or constructed any office recreation facilities, activities or games (including but not limited to pool tables, table tennis tables or others)?*
 - A. If so, list these*
 - B. If so, list the total cost for these items*
 - C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure*
 - D. If so, where were these purchased*
 - E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased*
 - F. If so, what is the current location for these items?*
 - G. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?*

Answer

No.

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Question No 66

Program: DFAT

Topic: Leases

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department?*
- 2. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased.
Please detail by:*
 - A. Date the lease agreement is active from.*
 - B. Date the lease agreement ends.*
 - C. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not?*
 - D. Location of the building (City and state).*
 - E. Cost of the lease.*
 - F. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.*
- 3. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed during the specified period. Please detail by:*
 - A. Date from which the lease agreement was active.*
 - B. Date the lease agreement ended.*
 - C. Why was the lease not renewed?*
 - D. Location of the building (City and state).*
 - E. Cost of the lease.*
 - F. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department.*
- 4. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by:*

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- A. *Date the lease agreement is expected to become active.***
 - B. *Date the lease agreement is expected to end.***
 - C. *Expected location of the building (City and state).***
 - D. *Expected cost of the lease.***
 - E. *Has this cost been allocated into the budget?***
 - F. *Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.***
- 5. *For each building owned or leased by the department:***
- A. *What is the current occupancy rate for the building?***
 - B. *If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.***

Answer

- 1. Not applicable.
- 2. Not applicable.
- 3. Not applicable.
- 4. Not applicable.
- 5. The occupancy rate of Export House is 100%.

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Question No 67

Program: DFAT

Topic: Advertising

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much has been spent by the department on marketing?*
 - A. List the total cost*
 - B. List each item of expenditure and cost*
 - C. List the approving officer for each item.*
 - D. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.*
 - E. Which firm provided the marketing?*

- 2. How much has been spent by the department on government advertising (including job ads)?*
 - A. List the total cost*
 - B. List each item of expenditure and cost*
 - C. Where the advertising appeared*
 - D. List the approving officer for each item.*
 - E. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.*
 - F. Detail the outlets that were paid for the advertising.*

- 3. What government advertising is planned for the rest of the financial year?*
 - A. List the total expected cost.*
 - B. List each item of expenditure and cost.*
 - C. Where the advertising will appear*
 - D. List the approving officer for each item.*

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- E. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.**
- F. Detail the outlets that have been or will be paid for the advertising.**
- 4. Provide copies of approvals for advertising, including but not limited to, approvals made by the Prime Minister or his delegate, the Minister or their delegate, or the Department or their delegate.**

Answer

1.

A. \$591,820.59.

B.

Item of Expenditure	Cost (Excl. GST)
Advertising Development	\$19,015.00
Digital Advertising	\$57,056.00
Advertising Directories	\$9,048.24
Print Advertising	\$10,000.00
Case Study Production	\$511.50
Collateral Development & Production	\$38,235.64
Corporate Sponsorships	\$114,875.54
Digital retargeting	\$8,000.00
Integrated campaigns	\$162,001.68
Digital Marketing	\$79,500.00
Video Production	\$81,032.09
Data lists	\$12,544.90

- C. Efic's Head of Marketing and Executive Director, Export Finance were the approving officers for items of expenditure.
- D. Nil.
- E. Efic's internal marketing department undertakes marketing activity.
2. Not applicable. Efic does not undertake Government advertising.
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.

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Question No 68

Program: DFAT

Topic: International Planned Parenthood Federation

Question in Writing

Senator Bullock

Question

- 1. In relation to a new core funding agreement with International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF):**
 - (a) Have negotiations with IPPF commenced?**
 - (b) If not, when are they likely to commence?**
 - (c) What amount of funding is under consideration?**
 - (d) What period is the contract expected to cover?**
 - (e) When would payments be expected to be made?**

- 2. Other than the new core funding agreement with IPPF, are there any other contracts under consideration or being negotiated with organisations that provide abortion related services?**

- 3. In relation to DFAT Complex Agreement 70971 with the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF):**
 - (a) Please provide a copy of all correspondence relating to Schedule 1, Item 17 (c).**
 - (b) What mechanisms are in place to quarantine funding derived from Australia under this contract from other unrestricted funding given by IPPF to its Member Associations?**
 - (c) What mechanisms are in place to prevent Australian funds given under this contract from being used “to advocate with legislators for changes in national abortion laws”?**
 - (d) Are Australian funds given under this contract permitted to be used for broader advocacy for changes to national abortion laws that do not involve direct advocacy with legislators by IPPF and its personnel and Member Associations?**
 - (e) Which Member Associations of the IPPF provide abortions at 20 weeks of pregnancy or later?**
 - (f) What mechanisms are in place to ensure that Australian funds provided under this contract are not used to fund the provision of any abortion at 20 weeks of pregnancy or later?**
 - (g) Please provide a copy of the “update on progress ... in implementing recommendations of the ESAOR due diligence report” required to be provided to DFAT by 30 September 2015 under Schedule 1, Item 17 (l).**

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- (h) Please provide copies of any ad hoc reports provided by IPPF to DFAT in accordance with Schedule 4, Item 5.*
 - (i) Which Member Associations of the IPPF are located in countries which have “government policies which limit the ability of women and men to make free and informed choices about timing of childbirth and family size”?*
 - (j) For each of these Member Associations what mechanisms are in place to “to ensure the activity provides a voluntary approach to family planning”?*
 - (k) Which Member Associations are located in countries where there are social and cultural issues that may lead to a request for an abortion based solely on the unborn child being identified as female whether this is openly stated as the reason or not?*
 - (l) For each of the Member Associations what mechanisms are in place to identify abortion requests that may be based solely on the unborn child being identified as female whether this is openly stated as the reason or not?*
 - (m) Please provide any data or evidence demonstrating that in countries such as Nepal and India where abortions based solely on the unborn child being a female are known to be common no such abortions are performed by Member Associations of the IPPF.*
- 4. In relation to DFAT Complex Agreement number 71002 with the International Planned Parenthood Federation:**
- (a) Please provide copies of the following reports as required to be provided by IPPF to DFAT under Schedule 2, Item 3 (1) (2) and (3):*
 - (i) Inception Report (December 2014-April 2015)*
 - (ii) Acquittal report for the period December 2014-April 2015*
 - (iii) Progress Report (May-October 2015)*
 - (iv) Acquittal report for the period May-October 2015*
 - (b) Please provide copies of an ad hoc reports provided by IPPF to DFAT in accordance with Schedule 4, Item 5.*
 - (c) Schedule 2, Item 4 refers to a budget provision of \$409,500 for Advocacy including “the advocacy for comprehensive SRHR policies”. Do “comprehensive SRHR policies”, in the understanding of the IPPF, include a right to unrestricted access to abortion?*
 - (d) Is it permitted for the FHAs (Family Health Associations) receiving grants under this budget item to advocate for changes to national abortion laws in their countries?*
 - (e) What mechanisms are in place to prevent Australian funds given under this contract from being used “to advocate with legislators for changes in national abortion laws”?*
 - (f) The Performance Based Funding Model for ESEAOR – 2014 appended to DFAT Complex Agreement number 71002 includes an*

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increase in the number of abortion-related services as a performance indicator for Member Associations. How is the funding model related to this contract?

(g) How much has been paid to IPPF under this contract so far in 2015-16?

(h) How much remains to be paid in 2015-16; 2016-17 and 2017-18 respectively?

5. In relation to DFAT Agreement 63191 for Sprint Stage II with International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) as amended by the deed of amendment of 14 February 2014:

(a) How much in total has been paid in each year 2011-12; 2012-13; 2013-14; 2014-15 and 2015-16?

(b) How much remains to be paid in each year 2015-16 and 2016-17?

(c) Please provide a copy of the Annual Plan required to be submitted by 15 February 2015 under item 15.2 of the Agreement Conditions.

(d) Please provide a copy of the Annual Report required to be submitted by 15 February 2016 under item 15.

(e) Please provide a copy of the full financial report required to be submitted by 15 February 2016.

Answer

Copies of the documents provided have been redacted to maintain commercial-in-confidence interests, to protect the personal information of stakeholders or to protect material obtained in confidence.

1. (a) Yes.
(b) N/A.
(c) Funding is to be determined subject to the annual budget process.
(d) Three years.
(e) The timing of payments is yet to be determined.
2. Yes.
3. (a) A copy is attached (Attachment A).
(b) IPPF applies internal processes to ensure Australian funds are used by Member Associations in accordance with the legally binding requirements of Agreement 70971.
(c) Clause 17(d) of Agreement 70971 prevents IPPF using Australian funds to undertake advocacy with legislators for changes in national abortion laws. IPPF is required to comply with the legally binding terms of the Agreement.

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- (d) No.
 - (e) IPPF have confirmed that no Member Associations in countries eligible to receive Australian Official Development Assistance (ODA) funding currently provide abortion beyond 20 weeks gestation.
 - (f) IPPF is required to comply with the terms of the funding agreement and all relevant Australian Government and DFAT policies including the *Family Planning and the Aid Program: Guiding Principles*. The *Guiding Principles* explicitly prohibit the use of Australian aid funds to support abortion services beyond 20 weeks gestation.
 - (g) A copy is attached (Attachment B).
 - (h) No ad hoc reports have been provided.
 - (i) The Department does not hold this information.
 - (j) IPPF is required to comply with DFAT's *Family Planning and the Aid Program: Guiding Principles* which require family planning and related services to be voluntary.
 - (k) The Department does not hold this information.
 - (l) IPPF and its Member Associations which provide abortion services are required to provide pre-abortion counselling which includes a process to identify whether the individual is seeking a sex selection abortion and if so, IPPF does not provide the abortion service.
 - (m) IPPF has confirmed it (and its Member Associations) does not perform sex selection abortions under any circumstances in any country.
4. In respect of Agreement 71002:
- (a) (i) attached (Attachment C).
 - (ii) included in the Inception Report provided in response to Question 4(a)(i)
 - (iii) attached (Attachment D).
 - (iv) included in the Progress Report provided in response to Question 4(a)(iii).
 - (b) Ad hoc reports are attached. (Attachment E and F)
 - (c) Activities are delivered in accordance with DFAT's *Family Planning and the Aid Program: Guiding Principles* and are governed by Agreement 71002.
 - (d) Refer to answer (c).
 - (e) Refer to answer (c).
 - (f) The potential application of a performance based funding model is under consideration.
 - (g) \$1.0 million.
 - (h) 2015/16: \$0; 2016/17: \$650,000; in 2017/18: \$350,000.
5. In respect of Agreement 63191:
- (a) 2011/12: \$3,500,000; 2012/13: \$0; 2013/14: \$1,000,000; 2014/15: \$2,000,000; 2015/16: \$2,000,000.
 - (b) All payments under contract have been made.

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- (c) A copy of the Annual Plan is attached (Attachment G & H).
- (d) The Annual Report is currently being finalised.
- (e) A copy of the 2016 full financial report is attached.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 25 May 2015 10:16 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Signed Contract

Morning [REDACTED]

Please find below the para responding to Schedule 1, Item 17, 1.1c "Prior to receiving funding, the Recipient must write to DFAT (via email) to clearly articulate how DFAT core funding will support Asia and the Pacific."

Let me know if you need any further information to supplement these few paragraph's:

Australian funding for IPPF in 2015 will have a particular focus on Asia and the Pacific, encompassing both specific programming goals in the region, as well as through targeted systems strengthening to improve organisational efficiency and effectiveness. The recently established IPPF Australia office will work closely with ESEAOR and SARO to capture and communicate the transformative work that IPPF member associations are undertaking with underserved communities in the region, to ensure DFAT is kept abreast of the impact that Australian funding is supporting.

Activities in both regions will support the implementation of the final year of the IPPF Strategic Framework 2005-2015 and will be focussed across the 5A's: Advocacy, Access, Adolescents, Abortion and AIDS.

Advocacy – working to improve the SRHR environment regionally and at country level. This will focus on working with policy-makers to create a more enabling environment for SRHR service delivery and access, including via lobbying for and monitoring budgetary allocations. Advocacy efforts will also extend to key stakeholders, for example working with Islamic institutions throughout ESEAOR to give emphasis to the reality that Islam is a progressive religion and that the Quran contains all the principles and guidance to promote and protect women's health. At country level the internal capacity of member-associations advocacy work will also be strengthened.

Access – targeted focus on increasing service provision, with a specific focus in ESEAOR on a few key areas including; integrating gender based violence (GBV) programming into SRH service through direct capacity development initiatives, resources and partnerships to increase interventions to prevent GBV and to promote and care for those who seek services at Member Association service delivery points and supporting the establishment of a quality assurance program in selected MAs to enable service providers to continuously monitor and guide further improvements in the provision of high quality SRH services. The family planning program will also be strengthened with the promotion of long-acting and reversible contraceptive methods.

Adolescents – working to enhance youth engagement and access via strengthening the youth-friendly network of service providers, build the capacity of Member Associations to deliver comprehensive sexuality education in the region and promote access for youth under 'Girls Decide' initiatives. Sustaining youth leadership through various training activities will also be given emphasis alongside the strengthening of a vibrant regional youth network.

Abortion –a focus on strengthening integrated abortion and contraceptive service delivery in Member Association clinics through capacity building on quality improvement of abortion service delivery and increased integration of abortion care as part of essential SRH services.

AIDS – working to strengthen the programmatic and policy linkages between SRH and HIV and AIDS in Member Associations in the region.

The focus will also support exploring an integrated partnership model with Susu Mama's in Papua New Guinea. Susu Mama's and IPPF will pilot this model initially in Morobe Province, with preliminary discussions identifying key areas for collaboration that include:

- Training and capacity building on clinical family planning
- Joint community-based activities, utilising the existing CBD network
- Working together to enhance male participation
- integrating youth friendly services
- modelling an integrated NGO centre in Morobe Province

Throughout 2015 IPPF will also focus on strengthening systems to enhance effectiveness of decision making and delivery. This will include data collection and dissemination, improving the capacity of Member Associations to estimate the proportion of their clients who are poor and vulnerable, including training on implementing the Vulnerability Assessment tool, financial systems review and follow-up (following the recommendations of the ESEAOR Due Diligence Audit in February) and a greater emphasis on qualitative research. This will enable IPPF to share case studies, testimonials, photographs and specific data down to the country level (for any DFAT priority country, such as Nepal/ Solomon Islands/ Indonesia or Philippines) with DFAT on the impact of Australian funding.

[REDACTED]

Let me know if the above is sufficient,

Warm regards,
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

PROGRESS REPORT

IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DFAT ESEAOR DUE DILIGENCE REPORT

1. The review recommends that CO undertake a Feasibility Study on the best option for granting SunSystems decentralised data processing rights to AWR, SARO and ESEAOR and CO implement the required Sun Systems upgrade in the 2015 calendar year.

The feasibility study has been completed and IPPF is currently rolling out SunSystems.

In September Sun was installed in the South Asia Regional Office, as the pilot site for rollout. A member of the CO finance team conducted on-site training of the finance team at SARO on the 14th of September. The training was successful and SARO will independently process October's transactions in Sun. The CO finance team is now working to install Sun in ESEAOR and the finance team from ESEAOR will receive the Sun training in December, with AWRO to follow.

2. *The Review recommends that ESEAOR MA's submit all remittance related documentation directly to ESEAOR Office, not via SROP, to reduce double handling of these papers and reduce time taken to process remittances from CO.*

This recommendation has been implemented by the Regional Office (RO) and the majority of MA's are now submitting all remittance documentation directly to the RO. The RO is working with the few remaining MA's who are still submitting via SROP and anticipate these will begin reporting to directly to ESEAOR by 2016.

3. *The Review recommends that ESEAOR consider amending its procurement procedures to adopt a specific value of procurement at which public tendering would be mandatory. This would bring ESEAOR's procurement policy in line with good procurement practice.*

IPPF Procurement Policy now requires all contracts over \$100,000 to be publicly tendered, including for ESEAOR.

4. *The Review recommends that IPPF policy includes counter terrorism measures.*

IPPF's Procurement Principles and Guidance require checks to be made against a number of databases to ensure we are not funding terrorists or terrorist organisations.

IPPF's internal funding agreements for unrestricted are currently being updated to state:

"The Association shall put in place appropriate checks to ensure that funds received are not passed onto organizations with links to terrorism."

All future restricted agreements will also include this clause.

In addition we will run all payments to organisations in sanction countries against the designated persons list.

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Attachment C

ORGANIZATION NAME: IPPF-SROP**REPORTING OFFICER:** [REDACTED]**DATE OF SUBMISSION: 05th June 2015****DESIGNATION:** [REDACTED]**SUMMARY:**

The report for the period January to June 2015 reflects the progress in the implementation of the project. Overall, there have been some challenges with the implementation that is anticipated to gain momentum in the coming months.

With the inception meeting completed, the Member Associations now focus on carrying out the planned activities derived at the meeting. The report will also give a projection of implementation and the anticipated completion dates of the planned activities. With preparatory work already been conducted in the different countries, it will be exciting to see how these plans are rolled out and what challenges may be presented in the coming years. The report reflects only on the countries that have conducted activities with regards to the direct implementation of the project.

With the risk matrix used as a regular indicator of implementation and the regular meetings with the DFAT Suva team, the IPPF team is confident that implementation will be carried out with the full potential of the Member Associations in the different countries.

With partnerships been forged and maintained it is anticipated that the goal to increase access of services to women and girls will be achieved. During this phase, the preparatory work made up a huge proportion of the schedule. The report gives an indication of committed funds for planned activities to be implemented. Procurement would make up a huge percentage of the costs which will be able to be expended fairly quickly.

The programme officers also traveled out of Fiji during the month of May 2015. The Senior Programme Officer attended a training of training workshop on the Elimination of Violence Against Women (EVAW) that was held in Bangkok from the 3rd-6th May 2015 and funded by UNWomen. In a follow up to the training a meeting was organized with representatives from the EVAW unit in UNWomen to agree on working in partnerships on rolling out the training to the Member Associations.

The Senior Program Officer (SPO) also attended the Global Gathering held in Bangkok from the 10th of May 2015 and the Executive Directors meeting held in Bangkok. The ED's meeting was also attended by the Programme Officer National Change and Monitoring and Evaluation.

IPPF also signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Pacific Disability Forum. The partnership is also a component of this Partnerships program however IPPF was able to cover the costs for the signing. This also led to the attendance of PDF representatives to the inception phase meeting and also IPPF and the Reproductive Family Health Association of Fiji (RFHAF) attending the Pacific Regional Disability Conference from the 18th -20th February 2015. IPPF was on the panel discussions and was tasked to speak on Good Practices on Partnership and action for a disability inclusive Pacific. IPPF focused on SRHR and spoke both on regional and national interventions.

ACTIVITY	INDICATORS	STATUS	NARRATIVE PROGRESS	BUDGET (AUD)	ACTUAL (AUD)	COMMITTED (AUD)
Inception Meeting	# of MAs that attended #Inception meeting report	completed	<p>All member associations were represented at the inception meeting, with 1 participant each from the 8 FHAs. A representative from Pacific Disability Forum (PDF) also attended. It was an opportune time to set the stage for implementation. Whilst some MAs were ready to implement the project based on original work plans, others were happy for the opportunity to revise according to change in environment.</p> <p>During the inception phase, DFAT was represented in the meeting as well as in the SROP recruitment processes; to ensure transparency and accountability in the recruitment process. The teams worked together to recruit the most suitable candidates to enable SROP has appropriate capacity to implement the program.</p> <p>During the Inception phase, DFAT worked with SROP to engage with the Secretaries of Health from the 8 participating countries in the Program, at a side session during the 2015 Pacific Heads of Health</p>	45,000	38,380.25	<p>The balance of the funds will be reallocated to the advocacy budget line. This will be used for regional participation and help SROP lobby for change in national policies to assist the MA in their work at the national level.</p>

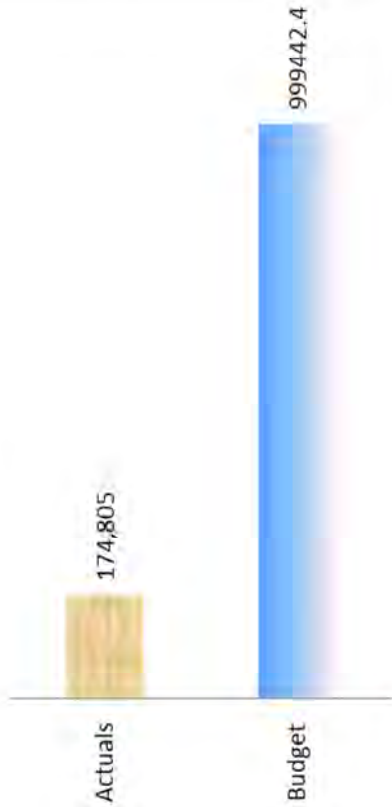
<p>Activity 1.1.1</p>	<p>Long Reversible Contraceptives (LARCs) training</p>	<p>In Progress</p>	<p>meeting held in Suva in February. At this meeting, SROP presented the Program's implementation plans, so that these senior health officials were aware of the work that IPPF and the Member Associations were planning to conduct over the life of the program. The Secretary of Health from Cook Islands requested the presentation to be shared with government counterparts so that they could discuss it further at the national level. This led to the event with the parliamentarians in Cook Islands through the Cook Islands Family Welfare Association (CIFWA).</p> <p>This activity has not progressed as planned, largely due to the planned training provider is no longer able to conduct this training as Government has put restrictions in the Philippines. IPPF has lodged a 'Call for expression of interest' for service providers who are able to conduct this training. This EOI process is currently being finalized and should be going out in the first week of June. Anticipated time of implementation would be towards the end of June 2015. The call will now be advertised in the local newspapers in Fiji and also on the IPPF website.</p>	<p>110,000</p>	<p>110,000</p>
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Expenditure rate

Reflected in the table below and in the graph, is the expenditure rate of actuals and also of committed funds. The rate of actual expenditure is 17.49% and committed versus budget is 83%.

Actuals vs Budget

Budget Actuals



Committed vs Budget

Budget Committed



Committed Budget	Total Budget	Planned Activity timeframe	Comments
2.3.2 Procurement			
Commodities	13000	January - December	Once reorder quantity is reached MAs will purchase commodities
1.4 Procurement Non Medical			
1.4.1 Infrastructure SIPPA Building	85000	September	SIPPA negotiations with construction company for building are ongoing.
1.4.2			
Purchase of computers for TFHA, TuFHA and KFHA	6650	July	

2.1.3						
Personnel Costs						
Nurses for SIPPA (x2), RFHAF, TFHA, SFHA, TuFHA, VFHA.	62,700		July-December			Nurses will be recruited to support current service delivery!
Vehicle Purchase for KFHA and VFHA	107,500		July			Vehicles for KFHA and VFHA will be purchased in July. CIFWA purchased motorbike.
1.1						
Quality Improvement training (LARCs)	110,000		LARCs training			LARCs training planned for end of June
Clinical Management Information System (CMIS) Training	60000		November			This training will be conducted after analysis of systems by M&E officer.
Inception Meeting	6619.75		Inception meeting balance			Request for balance to be put forward into regional advocacy
IECs and training material	11000		November			This will be printed upon request from MAs
1.4 Static Delivery points improved	102,196		Jan-December			This is an ongoing activity and negotiated once MAs have agreed with the various sites.
2.1.2 Travel to negotiate with associate services and communities for outreach	11,000		Jan-December			This is an ongoing activity depending on target community.
2.3.2 Procurement of equipment and commodities for improvements to associate clinics	27200		Jan-December			The budget for purchase of either equipment or commodity for TuFHA, SIPPA, CIFWA, TFHA, KFHA, SFHA and VFHA to improve associate clinics once negotiations have been finalized.

3.1	Systems to capture and analyze qualitative and quantitative data strengthened	9000	Jan-December	An ongoing activity to try and improve the data collection amongst the MAs
4.1	Mapping Analysis of SRHR issues	1000	July	SFHA budget to carry out this activity
4.3	Creating/working with multi-stakeholder network/s for advocacy	15500	Jan - December	To assist MAs work with national advocacy efforts
4.2	Country level advocacy	20000	Jan-December	For advocacy materials and media
5.	Monitoring visits	33334.00	June-December	For monitoring by CDOs
			April - December	
	Incentive Funding for MAs	84000	December	Incentive funding to be made available for MAs to apply for.

L.F Ref	INDICATIVE BUDGET	Budget AUD	Actuals	Committed	Variance
	MA Allocation:				
2.3	Procurement Medical	19200.00			
2.3.2	Commodities	13000.00		13000.00	
2.3.2	Ultra Sound and Autoclave	6200.00	11429.00	-5229	The cost of the Ultra

							sound and autoclave was more than the budgeted amount. This however was a critical for improvement in CIFWA services and would make them an effective one stop service delivery clinic.
1.4	Procurement Non-Medical	91650.00					
1.4.1	Infrastructure	85000.00				85000.00	
1.4.2	Computers/Printers						
	TFHA	3000.00				3000.00	
	TuFHA	2000.00				2000.00	
	KFHA	1650.00				1650.00	
2.1.3	Personnel						
	SIPPA Nurse (x2),						
	RFHAF						
	TFHA						
	SFHA						
	VFHA						
	TuFHA						
2.1.3	Vehicle/Motor Bikes/Boats	112000.00					

	Vehicle for KFHA	60000.00		60000.00	
	Vehicle for VFHA	47000.00		47000.00	
	Motorbike for CIFWA	5000.00	4500.00	500	500 Savings from this activity. Requested to offset overspend in Equipment purchase.
1.1	Staff trained in broad range of contraceptive methods, especially LARCs, PACs and other SRH services (including those that link to NCDs) to become IPPF IPES compliant	215000.00			
	Quality Improvement Training	110000.00		110000.00	This activity is anticipated to be carried out late June.
	CMIS Training	60000.00		60000.00	
	Inception Meeting	45000.00	38380.25	6619.75	Request to move balance to advocacy for SROP.
1.1	IEC and training Materials design and printing	11000.00			
	SIPPA	4000.00		4000.00	
	TFHA	4000.00		4000.00	
	VFHA	3000.00		4000.00	
1.4	Static Service Delivery Points Improved	112000.00			
1.4.2	CIFWA	15000.00	9804.00	5196	

	SIPPA		3000.00			3000.00	
	RFHAF		15000.00			15000.00	
	TFHA		15000.00			15000.00	
	KFHA		10000.00			10000.00	
	SFHA		15000.00			15000.00	
	VFHA		50000.00			50000.00	
2.2	Networks of trained volunteers, MA partnerships and community stakeholders developed and engaged		11000.00				
2.1.2	Travel to negotiate with associate services and communities for outreach						
	RFHAF		3000.00			3000.00	
	CIFWA		5000.00			3000.00	
	TFHA		3000.00			3000.00	
2.3	Capacity at outreach sites improved facilitating use of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool		27200.00				
2.3.2	Procurement of equipment and commodities for improvements to associate clinics						
	TuFHA		7000.00			7000.00	
	SIPPA		2000.00			2000.00	
	CIFWA		2200.00			2200.00	
	TFHA		2000.00			2000.00	
	KFHA		5000.00			5000.00	

	SFHA		4000.00			4000.00	
	VFHA		5000.00			5000.00	
3.1	Systems to capture and analyze qualitative and quantitative data strengthened		9000.00				
3.1.1	Needs Assessment		1500.00			1500.00	
3.1.2	Customization		6000.00			6000.00	
3.1.3	Installation and Training		1500.00			1500.00	
4.1	Evidence for advocacy		1000.00				
4.1.1	Mapping Analysis of SRH issues		1000.00			1000.00	
4.3	Creating/working with multi-stakeholder network/s for advocacy		29500.00				
4.3.1	Country mapping of stakeholders						
4.3.2	CSO/CBO networking activities		17500.00			17500.00	
4.3.3	Events with Parliamentarians		12000.00	14000.00		-2000	CIFWA will take from savings from other budget lines
4.2	Country Level Advocacy		20000.00				
	Media		10000.00			10000.00	
	Advocacy materials		10000.00			10000.00	
5	Monitoring Visits		33334.00			33334.00	

Incentive Funding	84000.00	84000.00	84000.00
Total Activity Costs	907584.00		
Contingency	90758.40	90858.4	
Total Proposed Budget (Activities plus Contingency)	998342.40	174804.98	816670.42

ORGANIZATION NAME: COOK ISLANDS FAMILY WELFARE ASSOCIATION

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED] **DESIGNATION:** [REDACTED]

CIFWA was provided with 43,000 AUD for this period. During the period the following activities were carried out as reflected in the table. In some instances, CIFWA saved from the original budget and in others CIFWA overspent. The total budget however was not exceeded. In this period of the 43,000 AUD CIFWA received, 39713 AUD was spent and the balance of 3287 AUD will be used for securing more sites for expansion of SRH services.

ACTIVITY	INDICATORS	STATUS	NARRATIVE PROGRESS	BUDGET (AUD)	ACTUAL (AUD)	COMMITTED / Variance (AUD)
1.1.1 Training for nurses from the Member Associations on LARCs	# of MAs providing LARCs services	1 x SDP	Nurse in training, relieving staff identified. The budget will be used to secure more sites for provision of SRH services	2200	1,980	220
Procurement of non-medical equipment	# of clinics upgraded	1X SOUND 1 ULTRA X AUTOCLAVE	Procurement of Equipment in place awaiting payment and delivery & administration. The costs of the medical equipment and freight increased from the time of development of proposal. The one that was budgeted for was no longer in stock.	6200	11,429	
2.1.2 Negotiations and MOUs with associate services and communities for outreach	# of communities have SDPs	1x SDP	SDP in place, CIFWA nurse commenced providing SRH service at Te Kainga in April and services are provided on a fortnightly basis. The balance will be used to secure more sites for provision of SRH services.	15000	9804	
2.1.3 Procurement of	# of new	1x motor bike	Procured for 1x motorbike with Motor Centre. The			

vehicles/motor bike/boats	outreach sites reached		balance will be used to offset some overspend in other budget lines.	5000	4,500
4.3.3 Setting up of parliamentary committees on population and development	# of parliamentary committees set up and trained on population and development issues.	1 x advocacy with MPs	1 x advocacy session conducted with members of Parliament during deliberations on the Family Bill. The cost of getting the MPs to attend the session was higher than initially budgeted due to the increase in airfares.	6,000	12,000

ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST INDICATORS

Indicators	Baseline	2015 TARGET	JAN – MAY 2015	%
# SRH services provided	7049	10080	3327	33.00
# contraceptive services provided	4642	5555	1214	21.90
# and % SRH services to young people	4081	5600	1505	26.88
% clients who are the most marginalized	15	30	2805	11.50
# and % of women and girls accessing the clinic			1397	98.00

CIFWA's main challenges were the increase in the price of goods and services from proposal development stages in the Cook Islands to the actual purchase.

Service Statistics for CIFWA from January to June 2015

CIFWA	Services provided (total)	SRH CR[1]	SRH-Non CR[2]	Non SRH-Medical	PMSEU[3]	Total # of clients by age		Total # of clients by gender	
						<25	>25	Males	Females
Jan	887	330	421	136	102	197	222		419
Feb	1283	406	756	121	139	238	229	2	465
March	615	222	379	14	99	97	306	3	400
April	542	256	242	44	43	70	61	21	113
TOTAL	3,327	1214	1798	315	383	602	821	26	1397

ORGANIZATION NAME: SIPPA

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED]

DESIGNATION: [REDACTED]

Summary

SIPPA is one of the high performing Association within the Pacific. In 2014, they were able to deliver a total of 248,878 SRH services to the people of Solomon Islands and this was made possible through the Capacity Building Project facilitated by DFAT and NZMFAT [2011-2013]. However, this year, the Association had lift up their targets by 20%, using the 2013 data as a baseline.

With the provision of the donor funds from DFAT, it will definitely assist the association in completing their target. Once of the major activity for DFAT Project was the renovation of their building in Honiara. SIPPA believes that through the renovation, it will attract more people from the public to access their services and meeting the purpose of the new DFAT program which is to provide quality, rights based, integrated sexual and reproductive health information and services to the community in Solomon Islands.

Secondly, one of the core activities for DFAT is building partnership with stakeholders for implementation of the project. The association has existing relationships with the communities and through networking with other partners, this could strengthen their work and could create a multi-sectorial approach. All in all, this will meet the major theme of the program which is to unite partnerships to tackle SRHR and other health inequalities particularly with Government (e.g. health), FBOs, CSO and community village group.

ACTIVITY	INDICATORS	STATUS	NARRATIVE PROGRESS	BUDGET (AUD)	ACTUAL (AUD)	COMMITTED (AUD)
1.1.1 Training for nurses from the Member Associations on LARCs	# of MAs providing LARCs services	In the process	The Association has already sent out an expression of interest and we are currently in the process of selecting a nurse from one of the Association clinic to attend the training on LARC. Secondly, the Association has already identified retired and experienced nurse to be engaged in the clinic while the Association nurse will be attending the LARC Training.	3,000	Nil	3,000

1.4.1 Quotes and Contractors procured for Clinic upgrade and works undertaken.		In Process	Conducted meeting for Staff and Volunteers to come up with ideas on the setup of the clinic. The contractors were asked to submit quotations.	81,000	81,000
2.1.2 Travel to negotiate with associate services and communities for outreach	# of new outreach sites reached.	5 Community identified	SIPPA has conducted meetings with Community Leaders in Tagarere, Kolina, Soagih, Luluga Guadalcanal and Gizo Western Province to access information and provide services on SRHR issues and to the community. This activity was able to be implemented through the PRSRH project (UNFPA Programmes).		
4.3.2 Networking Activities	# of collaborative activities conducted with other stakeholders	1 organization.	Liaise with National disability organization identifying sites or location to conducted trainings on SRHR for PWD. 5 sites identified. \$590 spent on identifying training sites and the \$2,410 will be committed for the provision of trainings and awareness.	3000	590 2410

Note:

- Activity 1.4.1 – [REDACTED] However, on the 1st of July, the [REDACTED], [REDACTED] conducted a presentation to the board members on the DFAT funds and also on the renovation cost. This was then picked up by the board and they therefore elect the [REDACTED], [REDACTED] to assist the [REDACTED], [REDACTED], to organize the construction and renovation of the SIPPA building.
- Activity 2.1.2, was not planned and budgeted for the inception phase however as we implemented other activities under APB on the PRSRH Capacity Building which was funded by UNFPA through the NZFMAT. It was an opportunity to identify our Associate sites for outreach and mobile clinics. The project includes conducting Community Based Education Distributor (CBED) to selected people within the rural and remote areas.

ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST INDICATORS

Indicators	Baseline	2015 TARGET	DEC 2014 – APRIL 2015	%
# SRH services provided	156,420	184,800	42,671	23
# contraceptive services provided	39,335	44,800	6,790	15.20
# and % SRH services to young people	29114	156,800	3,785	2.40
% clients who are the most marginalized	15	30	3,785	42.80
# and % of women and girls accessing the clinic			5,476	61.90

Explain key challenges faced by SIPPA

Some of the key challenges encountered by the Association was the;

1. Rise in the cost of refurbishment – As planned in the inception meeting, the amount of \$81,000 should be utilized in the constructions of the new building. However, due to the delay in the disbursement of funds, the cost of the construction has increased and therefore, the association can only afford to renovate the old building.
2. Flooding of the Clinic – The clinic was affected during the Cyclone Pam in March of 2015 and this led to the disruption of the provision of services.

Service Statistics for SIPPA from January to June 2015

SIPPA	Services provided (total)	SRH CR[1]	SRH-Non CR[2]	Non SRH-Medical	PMSEU[3]	Total # of clients by age		Total # of clients by gender	
						<25	>25	Males	Females
Dec-14	6975	1285	5230	460	721	721	874	666	929
Jan-15	9885	1065	4725	4095	647	647	884	429	1102
Feb-15	7005	1245	4685	1075	853	853	948	820	981
Mar-15	9976	1680	7206	1090	887	887	1268	927	1228
Apr-15	8830	1515	5975	1340	677	677	1089	530	1236
May-15	10025	2450	5400	2175	927	927	1078	812	1193
Total	52,696	9,240	33221	10235	4712	4712	6141	4184	6669

ORGANIZATION NAME: Tonga Family Health Association

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED] **DESIGNATION:** [REDACTED]

Summary

The association was progressing very well this year with funds received from DFAT as they were able to source a part time nurse that will assist in the high demand from the public. Secondly, purchase of fixed assets such as computers will definitely ease a lot of work such as reporting. Finally one of their major strength is stronger collaboration with their partners and this has helped in the implementation of activities within the communities.

ACTIVITY	INDICATORS	STATUS	NARRATIVE PROGRESS	BUDGET (AUD)	ACTUAL (AUD)	COMMITTED (AUD)
1.4.2	Procurement non-medical :computers/p rinters # of clinics upgraded	In progress	Quotes for computers have been sourced.	3000	0	3000
2.1.3	Personnel: Nurse # of services provided in partnership with governments and communities	In progress	Part time nurse engaged for the Tongatapu clinic.	10000	176.26	9823.74
4.3.2	CSO/CBO networking activities # of new partners		TFHA stakeholder meeting is a strategic event for introducing stakeholders to each other, gaining commitment to base on the Association's objectives. It is also a method for collecting information about the purpose of the system and its overall context of use from local and technical experts thus linking it to the Association's mandates. Also known as a "Kick-Off meeting" which is conducted on a quarterly basis for the Outer Islands as well as in Tongatapu as part of the TFHA monitoring activities. This year we	6000	0	6000

			have conducted 3 Meetings for Vava'u, Ha'apai and Tongatapu except for 'Eua which is needed to complete this quarter. Currently there are 28 Members for the TFHA Stakeholders.		
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Explain key challenges faced by TFHA– implementation, service delivery, etc etc challenges

The key challenge faced by the Associations is;

1. Less competitors on Proprietors for computers – There is less competition for the sale of computers and this has result in the increase in cost of purchasing a laptop or pc.

Indicators	Baseline	2015 TARGET	JAN – MAY 2015	%
# SRH services provided	6198	7280	4282	58.82
# contraceptive services provided	1142	1960	881	2.99
# and % SRH services to young people	7340	47600	1690	9.71
% clients who are the most marginalized	15	30		30.8
# and % of women and girls accessing the clinic			2725	55.9

Service Statistics for TFHA from January to June 2015

TFHA	Service provided (total)	SRH-CR	Non-SRH -CR	Non-SRH Medical	PMSEU	Total# of clients by age			Total# of clients by gender		
						<25	>25	No age	M	F	O
Jan	749	155	544	50	105	83	86	4	29	144	0
Feb	851	189	581	81	82	59	104	0	21	142	0
Mar	1000	193	669	138	142	82	150	17	56	193	0
April	806	202	489	115	94	57	138	6	27	175	0
May	876	142	676	58	71	57	118	1	63	112	0
Total	4282	881	2959	442	494	338	596	28	196	766	0

ORGANIZATION NAME: Reproductive Family Health Association of Fiji

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED]

DESIGNATION: [REDACTED]

ACTIVITY	INDICATORS	STATUS	NARRATIVE PROGRESS	BUDGET (AUD)	ACTUAL (AUD)	COMMITTED (AUD)
4.3.3	Event with the Parliamentarians and development committees set up	completed	The workshop was organized specifically for the Parliament Select committee for Population and Development on March 13 2015; however, the event was attended by members of Parliament outside of the committee and also staff of the Speakers Office. RFHAF has also committed to a follow up session with the Parliamentarians.	6000	3000	3000

ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST INDICATORS

Indicators	Baseline	2015 TARGET	JAN – MAY 2015	%
# SRH services provided	37075	44800	46363	103.49
# contraceptive services provided	19167	36400	19574	53.77
# and % SRH services to young people	4700	47600	35347.5	74.26
% clients who are the most marginalized	15	30%	19222	91.54
% of women and girls accessing clinics and services			9943	47.35

Service Statistics for RFHAF from January to June

RFHAF	Service provided (total)	SRH-CR	Non-SRH - CR	Non-SRH Medical	PMSEU	Total# of clients by age		Total# of clients by gender	
						<25	>25	Males	Females
Jan									
Feb	11084	4301	3671	3112	4344	2825	1519	2210	2134
Mar	11390	4674	3951	2765	4004	3217	1587	2488	2316
April	11999	5409	4598	1992	5684	4109	2001	2896	3214
May	11890	5190	4782	1918	5190	3988	1752	3461	2279
Total	46363	19574	17002	9787	19222	14139	6859	11055	9943

ORGANIZATION NAME: *Kiribati Family Health Association*

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED] DESIGNATION: [REDACTED]

ACTIVITY	INDICATORS	STATUS	NARRATIVE PROGRESS	BUDGET (AUD)	ACTUAL (AUD)	COMMITTED (AUD)
2.1.2 Negotiations and MOUs with associate services and communities for outreach	# of communities have SDPs		<p>KFHA had already signed MOU with 8 Island Councils:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Butaritari Marakei Abaiang North Tarawa Betio Tarawa Teinainano Aranuka Abemama <p>A workshop was conducted last week for Old men, Mayors and Medical Assistants from the above 8 islands. At end of the workshop the islands came up with a 5 Years strategy plan on how to advance further SRHR and Family Planning programs on their respective islands.</p>	8,000	8,000	
4.3.3 Setting up of parliamentary committees on population and development	# of parliamentary committees set up and trained on population and development issues.		<p>The Parliamentary Committee on Population and Development had been established and approved in the March 2015 House of Parliament sitting.</p>			

ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST INDICATORS

Indicators	Baseline	2015 TARGET	JAN – MAY 2015	%
# SRH services provided	133759	168000	13183	7.85
# contraceptive services provided	98000	128800	3850	2.99
# and % SRH services to young people	124149	140000	13960	9.71
% clients who are the most marginalized	10	20		30.8
# and % of women and girls accessing the clinic			2725	55.9

Service Statistics for KFHA from January to June 2015

KFHA	Services provided (total)	SRH CR[1]	SRH-Non CR[2]	Non SRH-Medical	PMSEU[3]	Total # of clients by age		Total # of clients by gender	
						<25	>25	Males	Females
Jan	4,966	1575	3,391	1594	2983	1099	723	845	979
Feb	1800	462	1,338	304	486	307	339	212	434
Mar	3516	450	3,066	1,389	542	160	604	291	473
Apr	825	64	761	278	139	83	145	57	171

May	2,076	1,299	777	1280	1260	1143	284	746	668
TOTAL	13,183	3850	7,996	4845	5,410	2792	2,095	2151	2,725

ORGANIZATION NAME: Samoa Family Health Association

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED] **DESIGNATION:** [REDACTED]

Samoa Family Health Association (SFHA) did not use DFAT funding to carry out their activities and have committed all budgets in the inception to be carried out between July and December 2015 because of existing commitments. The tables given below are the progress of indicators against targets.

ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST INDICATORS

Indicators	Baseline	2015 TARGET	JAN – MAY 2015	%
# SRH services provided	39865	95200	37740	39.64
# contraceptive services provided	24406	67200	4426	6.59
# and % SRH services to young people	34543	39200	6210	16.45
% clients who are the most marginalized	10	30	4096	98.91
# and % of women and girls accessing the clinic			3982	96.16

Service Statistics for SFHA from January to June 2015

SFHA	Service provided (total)	SRH-CR	Non-SRH -CR	Non-SRH Medical	PMSEU	Total# of clients by age		Total# of clients by gender	
						<25	>25	Males	Females
Jan	6946	806	6138	2	759	232	527	34	725
Feb	7498	900	6598		803	265	583	24	824
Mar	7578	957	6621		821	235	586	47	774
April	7714	884	6828	2	834	247	587	45	789
May	8004	4387	33349	4	879	263	616	9	870
TOTAL	37740	7934	59534	8	4096	1242	2899	159	3982

ORGANIZATION NAME: *Tuvalu Family Health Association*

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED]

DESIGNATION: [REDACTED]

Summary

TUFHA as the leading NGO advocating on SRHR in country plays an important role in strengthening recognition of SRHR. Advocating to Parliamentarians was difficult, however TUFHA managed to hold its first event with the parliamentarians [funded by FP NSW] and it was a very successful event that has increased the visibility of TUFHA/IPPF to government.

TUFHA continue to do outreach work, focusing on information and access to under serve communities including the central Islands, Vaitupu, and Nui, and Motuofua Secondary School. The Association is also a main provider for SRHR awareness training for the Recognized Seasonal Employer (RSE) scheme to NZ, administered by the Department of Labour.

Through the DFAT funds, the association will be able to engage a nurse and this will expand the provision of services to the people of Funafuti. Secondly, the funds will be used in purchasing a laptop, printing of IEC materials and most importantly in reaching out to people in the rural and remote areas.

ACTIVITY	INDICATORS	January to June Achievement	NARRATIVE PROGRESS	BUDGET (AUD)	ACTUAL (AUD)	COMMITTED (AUD)
1.1.1 Training Conducted for nurses from the Member Associations on LARCs	# of MAs providing LARCs services	In the process	The Association has only one Nurse, and therefore that nurse has been nominated to attend the LARC training overseas. The Association has already identified a retired and experienced midwife to be engaged in the clinic while the Association nurse is attending the LARC Training.	2000		2000
1.4.2 Procurement of Non-medical equipment (Computers/Printers)	#of clinics upgraded	In the process	The Association has obtained one quote for a new computer from one of the local stores.	2000		2000

ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST INDICATORS

Indicators	Baseline	2015 TARGET	JAN – MAY 2015	%
# SRH services provided	307	560	160	28.6%
# contraceptive services provided	204	236	84	35.6%
# and % SRH services to young people	32	504	29	5.75%
% clients who are the most marginalized	15	30%	67	62.6%
# and % of women and girls accessing the clinic			102	95.3%

Service Statistics for TuFHA from January to June 2015

TuFHA	Services provided (total)	SRH CR[1]	SRH-Non CR[2]	Non SRH-Medical PMSEU[3]	Total # of clients by age		Total # of clients by gender		No. of SDP	Types of services (No.)	
					<25	>25	Males	Females			
January	23	12	10	1	8	7	9	0	16	7	26
February	28	7	20	1	12	2	19	1	20	7	26
March	25	5	19	1	7	6	12	2	16	7	26
April	13	4	9	0	5	3	9	0	12	7	26
May	71	56	13	2	35	11	29	2	38	7	26
Total	160	84	71	5	67	29	78	5	102	7	26

CHALLENGES

- SRHR services are not provided for outer islands people, MA has only one clinic on the capital.
- Limited donor and government funding for SRHR in country.
- Isolated small islands make it difficult to do outreach SRHR activities to outer islands and the trips are expensive and shipping is unreliable.

ORGANIZATION NAME: Vanuatu Family Health Association

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED] **DESIGNATION:** [REDACTED]

Vanuatu was hit by Cyclone Pam on March 6th 2015. Vanuatu Family Health Association (VFHA) did not utilize the inception phase funds to carry out activities and have committed all budgets in the to be carried out between July and December because of the unexpected natural disaster. The tables given below are the indicators against targets. The Association suffered damage in many of the islands. VFHA was able to access funds through the DFAT SPRINT Project and was also visited by the SPRINT Representative from Canberra. Apart from this VFHA also received funding from the Global IPPF appeal and IPPF ESEAR Office along with funds from the IPPF Director Generals emergency funds. Amidst the disaster, VFHA tried to keep up with service provision and worked together with the various partners in country. VFHA is the only MA that collected data on NCD's.

ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST INDICATORS

Indicators	Baseline	2015 TARGET	JAN – MAY 2015	%
# SRH services provided	44433	44800	22783	50.85
# contraceptive services provided	25715	28000	8703	31.08
# and % SRH services to young people	10156	33600	9035	26.89
% clients who are the most marginalized	10	20	2805	45.98
# and % of women and girls accessing the clinic			4747	77.71

Service Statistics for VFHA from January to June 2015

VFHA	Services provided (total)	SRH CR[1]	SRH-Non CR[2]	Non SRH- Medical	PMSEU[3]	Total # of clients by age		Total # of clients by gender		
						<25	>25	Males	Females	
January	6,883	3,165	1,566	2,152	1,195	495	2,019	235	2,279	
February	6,369	1,794	2,052	2,523	732	628	1,291	639	1,280	
March	9,531	3,744	3,873	1,914	878	684	992	488	1,188	
Total	22,783	8,703	7,491	6,589	2,805	1,807	4,302	1,362	4,747	
Total		Hypertension		Arthritis		Cancer		Dental cares		Gum Disease

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	Males		Females		Males		Females		Males		Females		Males		Females	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
January	0	0	1	5	2	5	0	0	2	3	0	1				
February	3	1	0	0	5	11	0	0	1	5	0	2				
March	1	1	1	1	0	15	0	0	1	5	1	2				

CHALLENGES

Natural Disaster – The country was unfortunate as they were badly affected by the Cyclone Pam, but the association used the response as an opportunity to reach out to people in the rural and remote areas on SRHR services.

REVISED IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

Quarters	Quarter 1						Quarter 2			
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun				
Activity 1.1.1. Training conducted for nurses from the Member Associations on LARCs in Manila										
Inception Meeting										
Activity 1.2.1 Development of new IEC (includes pre and post testing stages.)										

<p>Activity 1.3.1: MA clinical and education staff oriented in SRH needs of People living with Disabilities (PWD)</p>					
<p>Activity 1.4.1 Quotes and contractors procured for clinic upgrade and works undertaken.</p>					
<p>Activity 1.4.2 Static delivery points improved</p>					
<p>Activity 2.1.2 Travel to negotiate with associate services and communities</p>					
<p>Activity 2.3.2 Procurement of equipment and commodities for improvements to associate clinics</p>					
<p>Activity 3.1.1 Needs Assessment, customization and rollout conducted for the 3 MAs for the use of CMIS</p>					
<p>Activity 4.2.1 Advocacy using Media</p>					

<p>Activity 4.3.2 CSO/CBO networking activities</p>						
<p>Activity 4.3.3 Events with Parliamentarians</p>						



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**UPDATES OF THE DFAT PROJECT
IPPF ESEAOR Member Associations Performance Summary**

This report covers the period of April – September 2015 for the implementation of *Partnerships for Health and Rights: Working for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights for all in the Pacific* project. The project is being implemented with 8 Member Associations in 8 countries, namely Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu. It aims to provide quality, rights-based, integrated Sexual Reproductive Health (SRH) information and services to communities in these countries, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights (most marginalized people are those identified as people who are poor, young, and geographically hard-to-reach and/or people with a disability).

IPPF ESEAOR Member Associations (MA) in the past months have increased efforts to ensure fulfillment of projects objectives and implemented activities systematically. A total of 229,437 services were provided and of which 152, 277 were services provided to youth. A total of 79, 469 clients were attended to and 52.68% of these clients were women and young girls.

Outcome 1: Cost effective, sustainable service delivery model developed and delivered through quality assured FHA static service delivery points (e.g. clinics) for all, particularly the poor and most marginalized.

1 MA had purchased medical equipment to upgrade medical facilities – CIFWA had procured ultrasound scan. This had enabled the nurse to provide the service in house rather than travelling to the Ministry of Health. 2 MAs have procured equipments such as, laptops and desktops to improve service delivery points and/or expand the usage of IPPF's Quality Improvement tool. 3 MAs have upgraded their clinics to deliver services to the underserved. Vanuatu has reported construction of a footpath and Tonga and Cook Islands have reported upgrading their infrastructure that includes clinics and service delivery points (SDP) for accessibility specifically for people with disability. One of the SDPs that Cook Islands have upgraded is the Creative Centre which is the Centre for people with disability. This will ensure that cost effective, sustainable service delivery models are developed and delivered through quality assured MA static service delivery points for all.

For this period, Kiribati and Vanuatu have reported clinic nurses being trained in broad range of contraceptive methods, particularly Long Acting Reversible Contraceptives (LARCs). Two trainings were conducted in Kiribati where 4 nurses were trained from KFHA and 16 nurses were trained from the Ministry of Health by the New Zealand Family Planning Association. In Vanuatu, 10 nurses from the Districts of Tanna to Santo, including 3 from VFHA attended a similar training provided through the Ministry of Health Medical Personnel. This will increase the options of services available to the clients.

All MAs had conducted Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) training for staff, volunteers and Board Members. 4 MAs have developed IEC materials, of which 2 have started the dissemination of materials as part of awareness, information and education. 1 MA has developed and pre-tested the IEC materials produced while another is in the process of developing its Information, Education, Information and Communication (IECs) in order to meet the demand of accessing SRHR information by the marginalized population. The MAs will be capturing the linkages for the next reporting period on how the distribution of these materials have contributed to the in number of clients accessing the static clinics.

A lot of effort has been put into working with the new focus area of disability. SROP is collaborating with the Pacific Disability Forum (PDF), Fiji National Council for Disabled Persons (FNCDP) and the Reproductive Family Health Association of Fiji (RFHAF) in developing and piloting a standard manual that is Pacific specific to be used for training Member Associations in delivering user-friendly disability inclusive services. Work has already begun as some MAs have started consultation with the disability associations within countries. RFHAF has conducted awareness with the FNCDP that was attended by 6 males and 9 females and PDF also attended. RFHAF staff has undergone 1 capacity building training in the delivery of sexuality education to people with disabilities. The next capacity building training for staff is scheduled for end of October 2015. A training need analysis (TNA) questionnaire has been developed and is currently being administered by KFHA to the persons with disabilities in Kiribati. The result of the TNA will help specify the areas to further complement the needs of the Community in relation to the services KFHA provides. A capacity building training for the service delivery for people with disabilities was conducted during the TFHA Annual Retreat in September with staff, volunteers and Board members. CIFWA has collaborated with the newly established Creative Centre as service delivery point for provision of SRH services for people with disability.

Outcome 2: Cost effective SRHR outreach activities implemented in partnership with governments and communities, exclusively for the poor and most marginalized.

To enable the MAs to reach to hard to reach areas and marginalized population, 2 MAs, namely TFHA and RFHAF have recruited a nurse each to assist in the outreach and clinical work. TuFHA is in the final process of recruiting a nurse.

To increase the number of outreach to rural areas and mobile services effort has been put into better equip the MAs with transportation. Previously, number of activities has to be limited because of high transportation cost. VFHA has now purchased a car, KFHA is awaiting the order of a minivan and CIFWA has purchased a motorbike.

In the first quarter of this project most MAs have started negotiations and formalizing collaborative efforts through MoUs with national partners. KFHA has signed a MoU with 8 Island Councils to provide SRH services to their communities. The recognition by the Ministry of Health of the KFHA's work has led to the incorporation of KFHA activities into the MoH National Strategic Plan. This would mean increase support by the Government to KFHA either financially or through provision of commodities. SIPPA had established partnerships with Honiara City Council Clinics,

Family Life Education teachers in primary schools, private practitioners and woman counseling groups. SIPPA has established concrete partnerships with MoH and UNFPA to provide funding for community mobilization activities as well as partnership initiatives with communities in the Guadalcanal Province. RFHAF has partnered with the Ministry of Health & Medical Services (MoH&MS) in its outreach campaign during the Methodist Conference, one of the largest international annual gatherings of the congregation by providing services in SRH and NCD health checks. It also had allowed them avenue to reach clients who travelled into the capital from rural and remote areas.

Outcome 3- FHA Systems Strengthened

4 Associations have reported progress to-date on strengthening systems for data collection and analysis, improving commodity security and integrating NCDs with SRHR. CIFWA has set up a database to capture information on the number of clients as well as analysis on trends and opportunities. TFHA is currently revising and updating current Clinical Management Information System (CMIS) to be user friendly. VFHA has carried out renovation at 2 sites – their building in Port Vila and the Santo Clinic to prioritise commodity security with the secure storage spaces. VFHA and RFHAF have completed developing their draft Clinical Operational Manual. VFHA manual with a focus on Quality Improvement (QI) is currently being vetted by the IPPF Regional Office in Kuala Lumpur. RFHAF is reviewing the draft clinical operational manual. RFHAF and KFHA are currently awaiting QI training.

VFHA has reported delivering a total of 16,675 NCD services including 37,120 SRH services to the people of Vanuatu from January to August during the rehabilitation period of cyclone Pam. It is important to note that VFHA was able to implement SRHR humanitarian services despite it not being a SPRINT priority country. ESEAOR were able to negotiate with DFAT to allow response to be made in VFHA. A good example of South to South collaboration was getting our trained personnel from SIPPA and ESEAOR to conduct the Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP) training and assist in the response.

RFHAF has integrated NCDs into 5 of its activities implemented in partnership with MoH &MS for this period. Some examples of the links between NCDs and SRH in RFHAF programmes have included checks on sugar, hypertension and BMI as well as counselling in relation to men's and women's sexual health - the correlation between obesity, diet and lack of exercise as a contributing factor to prostate cancer, infertility, and erectile dysfunction to name a few.

Outcome 4: PIC governments held accountable for delivering SRHR for all (in compliance with IPPF's Vision 2020)

While advocacy is a new focus area for the MAs, impressive progress has been shown. 6 MAs have reported increased work with respective governments in advocating for SRHR at country level and achieved successful outcomes. VFHA is part of the Population and Development Committee and also a Member of the UNDP/Government committee, UNFPA and Save the Children Australia (SCA). TuFHA is part of the National Population

Policy Implementation Task Force Committee. RFHAF has been elected to be part the Fiji Country Coordinating Mechanism for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM) for the next 3 years, Vice Chair of the M&E Technical Working Group of the National HIV Board and is currently a Member of the writers and consultation team for the National HIV Strategic Plan. KFHA has initiated the set up and is coordinating the activities of the National Steering Committee on Gender Based Violence. TFHA is part of the Population and Development Standing Committee which was set up by the Parliament of Tonga. As a result TFHA is part of the Tonga Delegation to the UN General Assembly, Social Committee and the Anti Committee set the parliament. SIPPA is involved in Youth Friendly Services Assessment organized and funded by UNFPA through the MoH. TuFHA have developed and submitted plans for a youth centre and the inclusion of CSE within schools to the Ministry of Health and awaiting approval. While other MAs continue to progress by engaging in multi stakeholder meetings and using it as a platform in raising awareness on SRHR.

IPPF ESEAOR and IPPF SROP

IPPF ESEAOR and IPPF SROP continue to play a pivotal role in providing support in the implementation and the delivery of key outcomes for the DFAT Program by MAs. From the month of June to August 2015, the Programme Team has conducted a monitoring visit to each of the 8 MAs. The purpose of the monitoring visit was to assess current programs and systems in place, to recognize their strengths and provide recommendation to the Executive Directors and Board. We had strengthened our reporting forms and ensure all results are being discussed with the ED and the Chair. As a result the MA becomes more accountable to their board and also to the implementation of this project.

SROP had conducted meetings with Finance officers of all MAs which resulted in better understanding and best practices sharing. The officers agreed to timelines and processes that would result in timely and quality reporting. This meeting was further strengthened by training in MYOB to ensure all MAs are up to date with the latest versions of the financial accounting systems.

To strengthen the efforts in curbing rates of violence against women and girls, a 3 day advocacy training was conducted in Suva. This was attended by 20 youth leaders from the MAs. The youth who are involved in drama and community outreach were prioritized to ensure they incorporated these messages into the existing programs. The participants will then replicate this training within their MAs and the communities. This will ensure the sustainability of the effort and inclusion of EVAW in SRHR activities.

SROP had an additional meeting with the Pacific EDs when they attended the ESEAOR ED meetings where we look at the DFAT programs and expectation post inception meeting. As a result we were able to agree timelines and reporting systems. We were able to discuss emerging issues faced by MAs.

SROP had also increased our visibility and advocacy. We were able to meet and maintain contacts with Pacific AIDS Team, Pacific Islands Regional Mechanism Country Coordinating Mechanism (PIRMCCM), Pacific Youth and Oceania Society of Sexual Health Medicine (OSSHM). We were also able to participate as a panel and coordinate panel discussion during the 29th ACP EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly in Fiji. During the meeting, we lobbied for the increase of budget allocation and the strengthening of the health system in the Pacific. It was positively received and we received good feedback from the audience. SROP and RFHAF were panelists in the Sustainable Partnership Session during Pacific Regional Disability Conference. SROP was able to demonstrate the effectiveness of the Regional partnership.

The call of expression of interest for LARCs training has been developed and advertised in the newspaper and circulated to key partners. The tendering process will be conducted together with DFAT. This will be implemented in the next reporting period.

SROP continues to provide support and technical assistance to the MAs in programmatic and systems development. Within the organisations, each staff had received additional trainings on issues of financial and organizational accountability, systems and processes, facilitation skills training and governance. This ensures that they would be able to better assist the MAs. SROP now through integration will ensure higher performance of SROP and MAs. The latest addition of the Quality Improvement Officer will enhance the existing strength work within the SROP by providing MAs with quality and innovative strategies for the delivery SRHR services for all.

Summary Table of MAs' Achievements

Description	Indicators	CIFWA	KFHA 31/08	RFHAF	SFHA	SIPPA	TFHA	TuFHA	VFHA	TOTAL	Target for all in 2015
Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights	# SRH services provided	3715	31,604	19,372	15,092	113,948	5,182	395	40,120	229,437	555,520
	# contraceptive services provided	1,698	7,488	10,424	3,907	20,426	1,185	209	26,512	71,849	312,951
	# and % SRH services to young people	833, 40%	5,433	2,901	3,570	109,729	642	121	29,048	152,277	470,904
	% clients who are the most marginalized	81%	86%	15%	96%	65%	35%	70%	27.5%	59.4% Average	27.5% Average
No. of Female	2,022	5,306	1,394	1,721	19,647	1,210	179	20,742	41,868		

Description	Indicators	CIFWA	KFHA 31/08	RFHAF	SFHA	SIPPA	TFHA	TuFHA	VFHA	TOTAL	Target for all in 2015
No. of Male		60	4,022	1,599	71	10,642	388	77	10,389	37,601	

COOK ISLAND FAMILY WELFARE ASSOCIATION UPDATES

PROGRESS UPDATES BY INDICATORS

Description	Indicators	Target for 2015	Progress as of August, 2015	Percentage Completion
Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights No. of Female reached: 2,022 No. of Male reached: 60 % of male clients served 2.9% % of female clients served 97.1%	# SRH services provided	10,080	3715	37%
	# contraceptive services provided	5,555	1698	31%
	# and % SRH services to young people	5,600	833 40% of total no of clients	15%
	% clients who are the most marginalized	30%	1695 40%	110%
	# of FHAs with contracts/MoU with government	CIFWA 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 x Signed MOU with MOH In discussion with MOE regarding MOU Contribution to the Family Law Bill 2014 	100%
	# successful policy/regulatory	Family Law Bill	In the process for the Calls for public	

Description	Indicators	Target for 2015	Progress as of August, 2015	Percentage Completion
	/financing initiatives and/or positive legislative changes in support or defence of SRHR to which the FHAs' advocacy contributed		submissions.	

The association really performed well after receiving the DFAT funds in the 3rd quarter of 2015. The funds were able to increase and improve their performance to the public of Cook Islands. Just from the first half year till the time they had received the funds, they were able to increase their services by 12%. From January to May was 3327 and in September it was 3715, an increase by 388.

After receiving the funds, the Association was able to upgrade the facilities for disability and a creative centre for young people. In addition, they bought some fixed assets such as motor cycles that will help them to reach out to people in the rural and remote areas. One of the creative initiatives made by the Association was also the purchase of the ultra sound for the clinic as this is a huge demand from the public. It is envisioned that there will be an increase in the number of people accessing the clinic.

UPDATES ON PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
Output 1.1: Relevant clinic staff trained to support IPPF IPES compliance	# of staff that have received training on: - Range of contraceptives including long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs) - Other SRHR (by theme) - Integration with	To be coordinated by the SROP office in the next quarter	

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
	non-communicable diseases		
Output 1.4 Static service delivery points improved and/or expanded facilitating the introduction of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool	# clinics and other SDPs upgraded (including CBD)	Strengthen SDPs to support the delivery of service to clients and increasing the number of SDPs. 2 x SDPs which are the Te Kainga and Creative Centre. Total of 1 SDP upgraded and 1 clinic upgraded.	10,495
Output 2.2 Networks of trained volunteers, FHA partnerships and community stakeholders developed and engaged	# community members providing information or services	Established relationship with new SDP Creative Centre –Creative Centre is a centre for people with Disability.	
Output 2.3 Capacity at outreach sites improved facilitating use of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool	# outreach sites using IPPF Quality Improvement tool	Purchased motorcycle for outreach programs. Procure Equipment for CIFWA clinic - 1 Ultra sound purchased and awaiting arrival of ultra sound. Total of 1 SDP upgraded and 1 clinic upgraded.	5000 15,810
Output 3.1 FHA systems to capture and analyse qualitative and quantitative data strengthened	# FHAs using either CMIS, Branch Performance and Vulnerability assessment tools.	Set up database to assess and confirm client numbers, potential opportunities and trends.	2886
Output 4.3 Creating and working with multi-stakeholder network(s) for advocacy	# active multi-stakeholder networks	Advocating SRHR with Members of Parliament and 3 relevant stakeholders. Supporting Family Law Bill with the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the National Council of Women and Crown Law. Currently in circulation for invite for submissions from the public	5814

KIRIBATI FAMILY HEALTH ASSOCIATION UPDATES

PROGRESS UPDATES BY INDICATORS

Description	Indicators	Target for 2015	Progress as of August, 2015	Percentage Completion	
<p>Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights</p>	# SRH services provided	168,000	31,604	18.8%	
	# contraceptive services provided	128,800	7,488	5.8%	
	# and % SRH services to young people	140,000	5,433	3.8%	
	% clients who are the most marginalized	20%	86%	430%	
	Number of Males		4,022	56.88% of women reached out of total number of clients	
	Number of Females		5,306		
	# of FHAs with contracts/MoU with government	KFHA 1			
	# successful policy/regulatory /financing initiatives and/or positive legislative changes in support or defence of SRHR to which the FHAs' advocacy contributed				

For the Kiribati Family Health Association, the provision of DFAT Funds has increased improve their services to the public. From the last reporting period, KFHA number SRH services delivered was 13,183 and that alone is from January to May. For the last 4 months, the association was able to increase their services by 18,421 tallying up to 31,604 from January to September alone.

The Association has also engaged in the NZMFAT funds and this has boost their level of performance. With the additional funds from DFAT, they were able to purchase a desktop and also vehicles as fixed assets. This will assist them to provide quality and increase services to the public of Kiribati.

The Association has conducted some after hour’s clinic in order to cater for the demand by the public and outreach services. As a result, the Kiribati Council has recognized the importance of the services provided by Association and therefore, they were able to sign an MoU i.e. Kiribati Family Health Association with the 8 island councils.

The Association continues to work closely and in partnership with the other stakeholders and these was evident through the GBV steering committee which was just set up in 2015.

UPDATES ON PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

ACTIVITY	INDICATORS	NARRATIVE PROGRESS	ACTUAL (AUD)
1.1.1 Training Conducted for nurses from the Member Associations on LARCs	# of MAs providing LARCs services	<p>KFHA Nurses were trained in LARC’s and the 2nd training is on training of trainers for KFHA Nurses. The first training is held for 2 weeks and is on the application of LARC to clients. The number of nurses trained is 4 KFHA nurses. The involvement of Ministry of Health nurses is to increase number of trained nurses on SRHR services and to build good networking and partner relationships.</p> <p>The second training also conducted is the Training of Trainer on LARCS for 4 KFHA Nurses on how to become trainers themselves especially on jadelle and IUD insertion and removal.</p> <p>2 days spent on practical for the trainers. This will ensure that training can be done locally through KFHA.</p>	

<p>1.2.1 Development of new IEC (includes pre and post testing stages)</p>	<p># new/updated IEC materials developed by type (DVD, leaflet etc) and topic (e.g. different contraceptive methods, SRH and NCDs)</p>	<p>Targeting the youth to Understanding boys and girls relationships and their sexuality. Pamphlets produced is 1000 on teenage pregnancy and 1000 on Love and already about 80% has been disseminated to young people</p>	
<p>1.4.1 Quotes and contractors procured for clinic upgrade and works undertaken</p>	<p># of provisions and amendments made to building</p>	<p>Training Need Analysis Questionnaire has been formed and is being conducted with the Disabled community on Kiribati. The result of this TNA will help specify areas which will further complement the needs of the Community of Disabled in relation to the services KFHA provides and the accessibility of it. Still a work in progress</p>	
<p>Procurement of non-medical equipment</p>	<p># of clinics upgraded</p>	<p>Still waiting for Desktop computer stock from one supplier which costs \$800.00 and wanting to purchase 2 for the clinic upgrade.</p>	<p>1,600.00</p>
<p>2.1.1 Travel to negotiate with associate services and outreach sites</p>	<p># of sites earmarked for service delivery points</p>	<p>KFHA has conducted 15 After Hour Clinic services and 6 Mobile Clinic services at (21) different sites on Tarawa Teinanano and Betio. The carrying out of this service involves consultation with community leaders of the targeted delivery points prior the service delivery. In order for the assurance of full participatory of the community members on the set date of the visit and the delivery of KFHA services. So far the number of clients attended at After Hours Clinic is 688 (males – 276 and female 412) and age group (10 to 24+ is 316) and (25+ is 372). Number of clients attended to at Mobile Clinics is 379 (male 155 & female 224) age group (10-24yrs; 170) and (25+; 209)</p>	
<p>2.1.2 Negotiations and MOUs with</p>	<p># of communities</p>	<p>8 Island Councils have signed MOU for KFHA to provide KFHA services in their communities.</p>	

associate services and communities for outreach	have SDPs	<p>KFHA is recognized that it can carry out programs on family planning and SRH on the eight islands and expected under the MOU to provide assistance to KFHA on its SRH program in terms of transportation and to support Community Based Distribution of Contraceptives (CBD's) programs in the islands.</p> <p>KFHA's contribution and participation in the program is highly acknowledged by the Permanent Secretary as now KFHA's activities are incorporated in MoH Strategy Plan. This means that MoH is able to provide funding support and support in kind mainly on drugs and commodities.</p>	\$58,900
2.1.3 Procurement of vehicles/motor bike/boats	# of new outreach sites reached	Kiribati Toyota Corp. has been out of stock on minivans. The purchasing of an 18 seater bus requires a set number of client order by the supplier before placing a shipment order. The order has already been placed and is current status is that it will arrive in mid December.	5,000
2.3.2 Procurement of equipment and commodities for improvements to associate clinics	Rolling out of QI tools to outreach sites	Review of Data System – Raw Data to IT and the expectation to safe guard the data for 3 years and the Raw data is signed and how the data is compiled by the responsible nurse and handover to IT – This is conducted in the 2 days review	
3.1.1 Needs assessment conducted for the 8 MAs for the use of CMIS	# of MAs using CMIS # of reports generated using CMIS	KFHA has information system to report on monthly data to Ministry of Health, SROP and Electronic Information Management System of IPPF (eIMS).	
4.3.3 CSO/CBO networking activities	# of collaborative activities conducted with other stakeholders	<p>This committee brings together all organizations and key government departments that are involved and address Gender Based Violence in Kiribati. And the coordination of this committee and the services each member provides is necessary to setup a one-stop shop that houses the key services required to GBV clients.</p> <p>KFHA has initiated the setup of this National Steering Committee and its role is To coordinate the processes and procedures on all angles related to GBV services provided and required in the country. By coordinating the involved taskforces and government departments and the major church communities on GBV.</p>	

		<p>KFHA in collaboration with the Ministry Internal Affairs is to provide secretarial support to the National Steering Committee. Members are Chief Registrar, Permanent Secretary of MWYSA, Permanent Secretary of MoH, Commissioner of Police, Catholic Bishop and Kiribati Uniting Church (KUC) Moderator</p> <p>KFHA has come into agreement with the 2 major churches in Kiribati (KUC & Roman Catholic) to ensure effective family planning programs. KFHA has received a support letter by the Bishop who is the Head of the Catholic Church on Kiribati.</p> <p>Unimwane of Marakei Island has signed a declaration the translation of the document is in progress.</p>
<p>4.3.3 Setting up of parliamentary committees on population and development</p>	<p># of parliamentary committees set up and trained on population and development issues.</p>	<p>A population task force has been established in April and KFHA has already provided and presented information and training on SRH and family planning to the members of parliament.</p> <p>The Population Taskforce has also shown its full support in KFHA services as a member is always present during the sessions conducted for the Catholic Catechists.</p> <p>Parliamentarian has also joined KFHA Team in community consultations and also under the request of the Parliamentarian to visit the Outer Island - Nonouti.</p> <p>The result of the one week visit to Nonouti Island is;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -100% of the Nonouti Island population were consulted on SRH and Family Planning through community consultation - raised number of CEA using Family Planning and new acceptors from 10% to 17% - KFHA was able to provide training to all Catholic Catechists on Nonouti island.

REPRODUCTIVE & FAMILY HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF FIJI

PROGRESS UPDATES BY INDICATORS

Description	Indicators	Baseline for 2015	Progress as of September, 2015	Percentage Completion
Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights	# SRH services provided	44,800	63,735	142%
	# contraceptive services provided	36,400	29,998	82%
	# and % SRH services to young people	47,600	38,248.5	81%
	% clients who are the most marginalized	30%	107%	100%+
	# of FHAs with contracts/MoU with government	1	1. Ministry of Health and Medical Services (2) 2. Ministry of Youth & Sports - in progress 3. Fiji National Council of Disabled People - 4. Fiji Maritime Academy - negotiation current 5. Australia & New Zealand Banking Corporation (ANZ) - signed	100%
			Currently reviewing the National HIV Strategic Plan	

RFHAF is one of the high performing MAs, but situated in a developing country which has more competitors as compared to other Associations. However, due to the funding they received, they were able to improve and increase service delivery. From January to September alone, they were able to succeed their provision of SRH services target by 42% and that is 18,935. They have also increase their number of contraceptive services provided to 82% of the total target. While their number and percentage of services provided to young people is 82% as percentage completion.

All of the above was made possible through provision of the DFAT funds. In addition to the statistics above, the association has also implement the disability concept and training through the New South Wales Family Planning Association. They conduct training to the staff and also the volunteers.

IEC materials were being developed by the association and pretested for young people and this will be use to promote on SRHR. The administrator believes that the IEC will be ready for distribution by November 2015. In addition, a nurse has been engaged for the RFHAF clinic and she will coordinate the clinical work. Her inclusion has been evident through the increase in the number of services and contraceptives provided.

Finally the Association has been working a lot with its partners and stakeholders in sharing cost and outreach activities. This is one of their quality and that is sharing cost and working in partnership with all stakeholders.

UPDATES ON PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

Description	Indicators	Progress as of August, 2015
Output 1.1: Relevant clinic staff trained to support IPPF IPES compliance	# of staff that have received training on: - Range of contraceptives including long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs) - Other SRHR (by theme) - Integration with non-communicable diseases	Clinic Nurse – 1 - The RFHAF Clinic nurse is trained in all ranges of contraceptives and is well versed in all aspects of Family Planning and Contraceptives. - The clinic nurse is well versed in other areas of SRHR especially with Women and men's Sexual Health. More updating of knowledge training and/or workshop is required.
Output 1.2: SRH services and service mix promoted	# new/updated IEC materials developed by type (DVD, leaflet etc.) and topic (e.g. different contraceptive methods, SRH and NCDs)	Factsheets have been developed in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Medical Services Health Promotion Team on Contraceptive Methods.
Output 1.3: Capacity built to deliver services for	# people trained by organization (FHA, CSO, Pacific	RFHAF staff have undergone one training in the delivery of sexuality education to people with disabilities and another training is scheduled

Description	Indicators	Progress as of August, 2015
people with a disability	Disability Forum partners, MoHMS)	for 26 th - 30 th October for up-skilling and updating of knowledge. RFHAF was also able to conduct awareness with the Fiji National Council for Disabled People and the Pacific Disability Forum .
Output 1.4 Static service delivery points improved and/or expanded facilitating the introduction of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool	# clinics and other SDPs upgraded (including CBD)	RFHAF clinic and service delivery points in Lautoka and Labasa are currently being upgraded to deliver services to young people and people with disability. RFHAF will conduct a clinic and service delivery point audit in October to assess its user friendliness towards the target groups mentioned.
Output 1.5 Demand created for SRH services among the most marginalized, particularly people with disability	# IEC products developed and disseminated by type (e.g. leaflet, radio program)	IEC materials have been developed and currently pre-tested. Should be able to disseminate by end of November.
Output 2.1 Outreach and mobile service sites mapped, approved and resourced in partnership with governments and communities	# of services provided in partnership with governments and communities	RFHAF currently provides services in Family Planning Clinics provided by the Ministry of Health and Medical Services in Nausori, Valelevu, Lautoka and Labasa. RFHAF also partnered with the Ministry of Health and Medical Services in its outreach campaign during the Methodist Conference with which RFHAF provided services in SRH & NCD health checks.
Output 2.2 Networks of trained volunteers, FHA partnerships and community stakeholders developed and engaged	# community members providing information or services	RFHAF was able to train 25 people in Suva, 18 people in Labasa and 21 people in Nadi as their networks of volunteers who will be community based distributors within their communities. A total of 64 community based distributors have been trained.
Output 2.3 Capacity at outreach sites improved facilitating use of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool	# outreach sites using IPPF Quality Improvement tool	Currently reviewing and final auditing of clinic and service delivery sites will be conducted on the last week of October.
Output 2.4 Implementation of outreach activities provided in partnership		Outreach activities that were implemented in outer islands are: 1) Lau Group (Vanua Balavu, Cikobia, Cicia, Vanuavatu, Lakeba, Oneata, Moce, Matuku, Vatoa, Ono-i-Lau, Ogea, Kabara, Fulaga, Komo, Namuka, Moala and Totoya) - 679 males were reached

Description	Indicators	Progress as of August, 2015
<p>Output 3.1 FHA systems to capture and analyse qualitative and quantitative data strengthened</p>	<p># FHAs using either CMIS, Branch Performance and Vulnerability Assessment Tools.</p>	<p>and 633 females; a total of 1,312. Number of services provided - 9,496.</p> <p>2) Lomaiviti (Nairai, Batiki and Gau) - 473 males and 330 females; a total of 803. Number of services provided - 2,109</p> <p>3) Beqa Island - 412 males and 379 females; a total of 791. Number of services provided - 2,768</p>
<p>Output 3.3 IPPF's Quality Improvement Framework (QI)</p>	<p># FHA static clinics in which Quality Improvement Framework applied</p>	<p>Currently working on it with the utilisation of the Rapid Assessment Tool.</p>
<p>Output 3.4 Links with Non-Communicable diseases (NCD) integrated into SRHR</p>	<p># of FHAs integrating NCDs with SRH</p>	<p>Currently reviewing draft clinical operational manual and awaiting QI Training.</p> <p>RFHAF's has integrated NCDs into five of its activities which it implemented in partnership with Ministry of Health and Medical Services. The activities are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Annual Methodist Conference Outreach - Checks on sugar, hypertension and BMI as well as counselling in relation to men's and women's sexual health 2) Hibiscus Safe Festival Outreach - Checks on sugar, hypertension and BMI as well as counselling in relation to men's and women's sexual health. A lot of emphasis was made in the correlation of infertility, erectile dysfunction, prostate cancer, and many more on NCDs. 3) Prostate Cancer Month Awareness Programme - Printed T-Shirts and neckties for the campaign as well as training in workplaces. The correlation between obesity, diet and lack of exercise as a contributing factor to prostate cancer. 4) Sugar Safe Festival Outreach - Float in collaboration with MOHMS and were the winners for Best Float (NCD and SRHR) 5) Family Planning Counselling - Infertility in relation to obesity.

Description	Indicators	Progress as of August, 2015
Output 4.2 Advocacy conducted with Pacific governments	# of Population and Development committees set up (2)	In March of this year RFHAF in collaboration with IPPF-SROP conducted a parliamentary training with which most parliamentarians who attended the training highlighted the need to address the SRHR of the nation.
Output 4.3 Creating and working with multi-stakeholder network(s) for advocacy	# active multi-stakeholder networks	RFHAF is currently collecting statistical evidences and reviewing literatures with which it will make presentation to the Ministry of Education, Heritage and Arts as well as the Ministry of Health and Medical Services with regards to SRHR situation in Fiji.
Output 4.4 Plans for scaling up of SRH services developed, endorsed by government and implemented	# national SRH costed plans for scaling up approved and funded by government	RFHAF is elected to be part of the CCM for the next three years; Vice Chair of the M&E Technical Working Group of the National HIV Board; currently member of the writers and consultation team for the National HIV Strategic Plan

SAMOA FAMILY HEALTH ASSOCIATION PROGRESS UPDATES

PROGRESS UPDATES BY INDICATORS

Description	Indicators	Target for 2015	Progress as of September, 2015	Percentage Completion
<p>Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights</p> <p>No. of Female being reached: 1,721 No. of Male being reached:</p>	# SRH services provided	95,200	53,532	56%
	# contraceptive services provided	67,200	8,333	12%
	# and % SRH services to young people	39,200	3570	9%
	% clients who are the most marginalized	30%	1720	28%
	# of FHAs with contracts/MoU with government	1 to be signed with NHS		
# successful policy/regulatory /financing initiatives and/or positive legislative changes in support or defence of SRHR to which the FHAs' advocacy contributed			Contributed positively this year to the National SRH policy review (MOH), Alcohol Consumption policy (MOH), Policy for Tobacco control (MOH), Policy for Women (MWCSD), NHRI Report on Human Rights (Office of the Ombudsman), UPR national consultations and submissions.	

The association has been doing quite well from the last reporting phase till now. In the last reporting phase, their number of services delivered was 37,740 and in this reporting period, the association was able to achieve and extra 15,792 which tally up to 53,532 and that is 56% of the percentage completion. The association was also able to increase the provision of contraceptives from the last reporting period till now by 3,907. A remarkable achievement by SFHA which was only achieved from the month April to September of 2015.

SFHA also work closely with their partners in mapping and strengthening of partnership for the last quarter of 2015 and 2016 awareness and outreach to the rural and remote areas of Samoa.

UPDATES ON PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
<p>Output 1.4.2 Static service delivery points improved and/or expanded facilitating the introduction of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool</p>	<p># clinics and other SDPs upgraded (including CBD)</p>	<p>Mobile services will take place for Savaii once negotiations with government representatives are completed.</p> <p>SFHA was fortunate to have the opportunity to present in the meeting between the Ministry of Women and government representatives in Savaii on the 23rd September, in which 42 members attended. This meeting is a monthly gathering for the ministry and government representatives on their development issues. However, SFHA proposed to be part of this meeting to introduce the mobile clinic service that will be coming to the island. Representatives showed much interest and full support of the initiative as well as their willingness to cooperate.</p> <p>The next meeting scheduled for end of October will be to discuss and confirm the mobile clinic schedule of visits.</p>	<p>Funded by Ministry of Women</p>
<p>Output 2.1 Outreach and mobile service sites mapped, approved and resourced in partnership with governments and</p>	<p># of services provided in partnership with governments and communities</p>	<p>Mapping of outreach and mobile service sites for Upolu is complete; mapping for Savaii is envisaged to complete in collaboration with the MWCSD by the end of October.</p> <p>The mobile clinic nurse was recruited in early September</p>	<p>1,330</p>

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
<p>communities</p> <p>Output 4.1 .1 Evidence for advocacy collated and documented</p>	<p>Availability of mapping analysis</p>	<p>Samoa adapted a multi-sectoral approach to ensure comprehensive and unified response to sexual reproductive health issues. The national response involves participation of entities at the local and national level including government ministries and non-governmental organisations such as SFHA and others, traditional birth attendants, as well as research and academic institutions.</p> <p>The government of Samoa recognizes Reproductive Health as a national priority through the following reports/policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The National Strategy for Development of Samoa 2008-2012 by the Ministry of Finance, 2008. • The Health Sector Plan 2008-2018 recognizes improved "reproductive, maternal, and child health" as a key result of its "Quality Health Care Services Delivery" strategy. • The National Reproductive Health Policy and Strategy: one priority issue is to improve family planning programs in all areas of the country and among all age groups. The key interventions in this context are encouraging contraceptive use in general and increasing the proportion of women using modern contraceptive methods. • Second Generation Surveillance Survey, Samoa; 2008 <p>Below is the list of policies, health and human rights reports, health plans and health surveys that are inclusive of sexual reproductive health issues. This list is not limited as there are continuous developments and reviews.</p> <p>Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National SRH policy 2011-2016 (MOH) • National HIV/AIDS policy 2011 (MOH) • Child & Adolescent Health policy 2013 (MOH) • National Youth policy 2013 (MWCSD) 	

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teenage policy 2014 (MWCSD) • Policy for Women 2014 (MWCSD) • National Strategy for Development of Samoa 2008-2012 (Samoa Ministry of Finance, 2008) <p>Health Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STI/HIV/AIDs Surveillance report 1999-2000 • Samoa STEPS survey 2014 • Village Health Fair report 2011 <p>Health Plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Sector Plan 2008-2018 • Samoa's Population Action Plan 2016-2021 (In draft) <p>Health Surveys</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DHS 2009 & 2014 • Antenatal clinics STI survey 2000 <p>Human Rights Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Samoa, by Samoa Report 2015 (NHRI) 	
<p>Output 4.3 Creating and working with multi-stakeholder network(s) for advocacy</p>	<p># active multi-stakeholder networks</p>	<p>SHFA will strengthen networks with its collaborating partners. A stakeholders meeting will be held before the end of November inviting all existing and potential partners that we have identified and have started networking with such as the National Youth Council and the My Girls Club under the umbrella of the Samoa Faafafine Association.</p>	

SOLOMON ISLAND PLANNED PARENTHOOD ASSOCIATION

PROGRESS UPDATES BY INDICATORS

Description	Indicators	Target for 2015	Progress as of September, 2015	Percentage Completion
<p>Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights</p> <p>No. of Female being reached: 19,647 No. of Male being reached: 10,642</p>	# SRH services provided	184,800	113,948	62%
	# contraceptive services provided	44,800	20,426	46%
	# and % SRH services to young people	156,800	109,729	70%
	% clients who are the most marginalized	15%	65%	100+%
	# of FHAs with contracts/MoU with government		Final stages of negotiations for the two MoUs	
# successful policy/regulatory /financing initiatives and/or positive legislative changes in support or defence of SRHR to which the FHAs' advocacy contributed				

The association progresses well in this reporting period compared to the last one as they were able to achieve more than last reporting period by 71,277 SRH services delivered. This achievement has raised their percentage of completion to 62%. In contraceptives, their percentage of completion is 46%. While young people is the main target for the association and they have the number of outreach by 109,729 which is 70% completion.

Through the DFAT project, SIPPA was able to increase its awareness to the rural and remote areas as part of the Community Based Distributor Training. This contributed to the rapid growth in the number of services delivered. Not only was the communities target but also young people in schools.

One of their major project is the renovation of the SIPPA building in Honiara. It is envision that after the completion of this renovation, it will attract the attentions of the public to use the services provided.

UPDATES ON PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
<p>Output 1.2: SRH services and service mix promoted</p>	<p># new/updated IEC materials developed by type (DVD, leaflet etc) and topic (e.g. different contraceptive methods, SRH and NCDs)</p>	<p>Review of draft IEC and the review are currently conducted by the new Communication Officer and the IEC Committee by next month before printing.</p>	
<p>Output 1.4 Static service delivery points improved and/or expanded facilitating the introduction of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool</p>	<p># clinics and other SDPs upgraded (including CBD)</p>	<p>SIPPA with UNFPA through MoH will be carrying out Youth Friendly Service Assessments in SIPPA Project Sites in Auki, Gizo and Taro to assess facilities, focus Group and Clients to improve the quality of services provided to became youth friendly and accessible to youth.</p> <p>Contract signed by SIPPA and Best Heritage Building Construction and work will be started October 2015. However, they have started with preparing ground work.</p> <p>SIPPA have also purchased office equipments to ensure better quality data capture.</p>	<p>9,675.7</p> <p>3,906.73</p>
<p>Output 1.5 Demand created for SRH services among the most marginalized, particularly people with</p>	<p># IEC products developed and disseminated by type (e.g. leaflet, radio program)</p>	<p>SIPPA has begun the process to develop the following IEC materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teenage Pregnancy - STI/HIV/AIDS - SIPPA Pamphlets (information) 	

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
disability		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SGBV - Contraceptive Methods - Family planning leaflets 	
Output 2.1 Outreach and mobile service sites mapped, approved and resourced in partnership with governments and communities	# of services provided in partnership with governments and communities	SIPPA had provided SRH services in partnership with the following stakeholders; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Honiara City Council Clinics, Family Life Education Teachers in Primary School, Private Practitioners and Women counselling groups. 2. MOH and UNFPA providing funds for our community mobilization activities in community 3. Partnership with communities in Guadalacanal Province (Tinagulu, Lulugai Aid Post) and Temotu Provinces. 	
Output 2.2 Networks of trained volunteers, FHA partnerships and community stakeholders developed and engaged	# community members providing information or services	Community Based Educators and Distributors Training was organized for four other provinces (Guadalacanal, Renbellona Temotu and Makira) these province to establish CBED network to implement outreach programmes in the community level. The programme will be funded by UNFPA, and will carry out in October.	
Output 2.4 Implementation of outreach activities provided in partnership		SIPPA conducted outreach activities in partnership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In school programmes - Out School Programmes - Church Youth Programme (All Saint, SDA) - In school Programme (5 School) - Out of in school programmes (5 Activities) 	
Output 4.1 Evidence for advocacy collated and documented	Availability of mapping analysis	SIPPA is involved in Youth Friendly Service Assessment organised and funded by UNFPA through the MOH. Assessment for the improvement of facilities and youth activities in the future to become youth friendly service and accessible to youth in the community level.	

TONGA FAMILY HEALTH ASSOCIATION

PROGRESS UPDATES BY INDICATORS

Description	Indicators	Target for 2015	Progress as of September, 2015	Percentage Completion
<p>Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights</p> <p>No. of Female being reached: 1,210 No. of Male being reached: 388</p>	# SRH services provided	7280	5182	66%
	# contraceptive services provided	1960	1185	60%
	# and % SRH services to young people	47600	642 - 12.4%	39.9%
	% clients who are the most marginalized	30%	35%	100+%
	# successful policy/regulatory /financing initiatives and/or positive legislative changes in support or defence of SRHR to which the FHAs' advocacy contributed	5		

The Association was able to utilize the DFAT funds for their growth through the provision of services during the reporting period. In the last reporting period, the number of SRH services delivered was 4282, but in this reporting period it had increased to 900 and this is 66% completion. Likewise for the contraceptive services, they were able to deliver 881 services, but in from the current period, it has increased to 1,185 with an additional 304.

Some of the things that they had spent the funds on were on the development of IEC materials, partnership meeting with stakeholders and mapping out of activities, upgrading of clinics and trainings for both volunteers and staff. The association was also to draft their Strategic Workplan.

UPDATES ON PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
<p>Output 1.1: Relevant clinic staff trained to support IPPF IPES compliance</p>	<p># of staff that have received training on: - Range of contraceptives including long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs) - Other SRHR (by theme) - Integration with non-communicable diseases</p>	<p>This budget line was utilised to fill in gaps of clinic staff to deliver the service – 2 staff (1 nurse practitioner and 1 registered nurse)</p>	<p>1,844.00</p>
<p>Output 1.2: SRH services and service mix promoted</p>	<p># new/updated IEC materials developed by type (DVD, leaflet etc) and topic (e.g. different contraceptive methods, SRH and NCDs)</p>	<p>300 coloured Family Planning leaflets developed (all methods) 250 DVDs developed and produced after the Filitonu Drama Group 2015 concert Using Filitonu Drama Group for awareness program to the villages, schools and Government ministries.</p>	<p>4,000</p>
<p>Output 1.3: Capacity built to deliver services for people with a disability</p>	<p># people trained by organization (FHA, CSO, Pacific Disability Forum partners, MoH)</p>	<p>This training was conducted during TFHA retreat as part of the capacity building training in an understanding that prior conducting the training to people with disability it is crucial to train the service providers to have a knowledge and understanding of the concept directly to disability issues.</p>	<p>5428</p>
<p>Output 1.4 Static service delivery points improved and/or expanded facilitating the introduction of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool</p>	<p># clinics and other SDPs upgraded (including CBD)</p>	<p>TFHA 2 clinics (Tongatapu & Vava'u) are currently upgrading to deliver services to people with disability and it is a continuous process. The way forward is to continue upgrading some Public Health Centres and extend to community health services. The upgrading is not only the infra-structure but up skilling/updating of the staff too.</p>	<p>2,220</p>
<p>Output 2.1 Outreach and mobile service sites mapped,</p>	<p># of services provided in partnership with governments</p>	<p>TFHA provided community peer education and pap-smear outreach services to the following: Faith-based communities, Schools, Government ministries such as</p>	<p>1,855.53</p>

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
approved and resourced in partnership with governments and communities	and communities	Ministry of Health, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Tourism, Ministry of Education, Army and the Police force.	
Output 2.2 Networks of trained volunteers, FHA partnerships and community stakeholders developed and engaged	# community members providing information or services	TFHA established and engaged 20 networks of trained volunteers, namely Pakiaola Youth Group (Eastern side), Houma Youth Group (Western side), and Urban Youth Group (Nuku'alofa), Red Cross Volunteer Group, TLA, Camp Clow. TFHA established 4 stakeholders committees of more than 100 members. Also TFHA engaged in lots of government committee like the Population & Development – Parliament Stand Committee, Victim Unit Committee, Reproductive Health Taskforce, CCM-country coordinating mechanism for HIV/STIs program, Gender Committee,	5,000
Output 2.3 Capacity at outreach sites improved facilitating use of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool	# outreach sites using IPPF Quality Improvement tool	Tongatapu & Vava'u sites have been made disability friendly.	4,824
Output 3.1 FHA systems to capture and analyse qualitative and quantitative data strengthened	# FHAs using either CMIS, Branch Performance and Vulnerability assessment tools.	This system was set up at the clinic to capture data. It is important to keep on revising/updating the current CMIS system to be user friendly. Set up of website for dissemination of information, advocacy purposes, update the public of what TFHA is doing and so forth	2,129
Output 3.4 Links with Non-Communicable diseases (NCD) integrated into SRHR	# of FHAs integrating NCDs with SRH	NCD integrated with SRH through TFHA Strategic Plan 2015-2019 and also to Tonga National Integrated SRH Strategic Plan 2015-2019. TFHA and Filitonu integrate NCD & SRH on awareness program and also dramatized to public. TFHA and MoH are working closely in linking NCD and SRH in various strategies through media, drama, outreach program to communities and schools	1,000
Output 4.2 Advocacy	# of Population and	TFHA is actively participating and supporting the Population and	1,943

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
conducted with Pacific governments	Development committees set up	Development Stand committee set up by the Parliament of Tonga as a result TFHA has been joining the Tonga Delegations to UN in previous years up to now. Parliament set up a Social Committee and Anti-Corruption Committee that TFHA is actively engaged in.	
Output 4.3 Creating and working with multi-stakeholder network(s) for advocacy	# active multi-stakeholder networks	TFHA is working closely with Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Tourism, Ministry of Police, Women Affairs, Women and Children Crisis Centres, Tonga Red Cross, Disability, Civic Education Steering Committee, Civil Society, faith-based organisation, communities, youth groups	4,031
Output 4.4 Plans for scaling up of SRH services developed, endorsed by government and implemented	# national SRH costed plans for scaling up approved and funded by government	TFHA is pushing to put up Family Life Education to the syllabus and TFHA is currently run consultations with the communities. The curriculum unit of the Ministry of Education agreed to trial this idea at 12 schools in 2016. It has been long time using the same strategy in addressing SRH but the figures are going up. TFHA found out that SRH is very narrow and targeted to PSMEU. TFHA noticed based on previous data that it is important to change the strategy by broadening the perspective from SRH to a wider context.	2,000

TUVALU FAMILY HEALTH ASSOCIATION

PROGRESS UPDATES BY INDICATORS

Description	Indicators	Target for 2015	Progress as of September, 2015	Percentage Completion
Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights No. of Female being reached: 179 No. of Male being reached: 77	# SRH services provided	560	395	70.5%
	# contraceptive services provided	236	209	88.5%
	# and % SRH services to young people	504	121 SRH services	24%
	% clients who are the most marginalized	30%	50%	100+%

Tuvalu is one of the country that has less number of population compared to other islands in the Pacific. However, one of the problem they had encountered is transportation to and fro the remote and rural area. Through the funding, it will assist them to travel this area and provide this services the vulnerable population.

From the last reporting period, the association was able to provide a total of 160 SRH services, but afterwards, they were able to increase their number of services through the DFAT funds by 235 and tallying up the services provided from January to September by 395 and that is 70.5% percentage completion. While their contraceptive services increased by 52.9% from the last reporting period. They have achieved their targets in the percentage of clients that are marginalized.

Some of the funds used were on the purchase of laptops and the development and printing of IEC materials.

UPDATES ON PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
Output 1.2: SRH services and service mix promoted	# new/updated IEC materials developed by type (DVD, leaflet etc) and topic (e.g. different contraceptive	TuFHA has developed new IEC pamphlets on different contraceptive methods and STIs. 2 other new IEC materials, pamphlets and posters on	0

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	Budget Spent \$ AUD
<p>Output 1.4 Static service delivery points improved and/or expanded facilitating the introduction of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool</p>	<p>methods, SRH and NCDs)</p>	<p>SRHR promotion. NCDs are in the process of development. A laptop was purchased for use for the DFAT project. (15.6" ASUS Laptop)</p>	<p>\$1,300</p>
<p>Output 1.5 Demand created for SRH services among the most marginalized, particularly people with disability</p>	<p># clinics and other SDPs upgraded (including CBD)</p>	<p>Work is in progress for the development of IEC materials which promote SRH services among the PMSEU and the PWD.</p>	
<p>Output 2.1 Outreach and mobile service sites mapped, approved and resourced in partnership with governments and communities</p>	<p># IEC products developed and disseminated by type (e.g. leaflet, radio program)</p>	<p>Recruitment of one nurse is in its final stages, interviews for the position will take place at end of this week, and the position will be filled as soon as after the interviews.</p>	
<p>Output 4.2 Advocacy conducted with Pacific governments</p>	<p># of Population and Development committees set up</p>	<p>TUFHA is a part of the National Population Policy Implementation Task Force/Committee.</p>	
<p>Output 4.3 Creating and working with multi-stakeholder network(s) for advocacy</p>	<p># active multi-stakeholder networks</p>	<p>TUFHA is a member and part of most stakeholder networks in country, and is the leading NGO advocating for SRHR. An advocacy on SRHR and SDG targets to parliamentarians is to be implemented in November.</p>	
<p>Output 4.4 Plans for scaling up of SRH services developed, endorsed by government and implemented</p>	<p># national SRH costed plans for scaling up approved and funded by government</p>	<p>SRHR Advocacy activity to government is confirmed for November. Plans for a youth centre and CSE inclusion in schools has been submitted to MOH, awaiting approval and endorsement by government.</p>	

VANUATU FAMILY HEALTH ASSOCIATION

PROGRESS UPDATES BY INDICATORS

Description	Indicators	Target for 2015	Progress as of September, 2015	Percentage Completion
<p>Purpose: To provide quality, rights-based, integrated SRH information and services to communities in 8 PICs, particularly to the most marginalized, and to advance their SRH rights</p> <p>Number of Female: 20,742 Number of Male: 10,389</p>	# SRH services provided	44,800	40,120	89.5%
	# contraceptive services provided	28,000	26,512	95.7%
	# and % SRH services to young people	33,600	29,048	86.45%
	% clients who are the most marginalized	20	27.5%	+7.5%
	# of FHAs with contracts/MoU with government	1	Signed an MoU with Ministry of Health waiting to sign another with Ministry of Justice and Juvenile Department of correctional services in 3 rd week of October 2015	100%
# successful policy/regulatory /financing initiatives and/or positive legislative changes in support or defence of SRHR to which the FHAs' advocacy contributed		Contributed positively this year to the National Strategic Planning of the Ministry of Health, the ICDP, HIV AIDS and RMHNCAH and the SDG of the government of Vanuatu.		

The Association is the only member association that was able to achieve their targets set out in 2015 and this was made possible through the Cyclone Pam Post Response to the urban, rural and remote areas. There were donor agency apart from DFAT that had assisted such as the IPPF SPRINT programme and the Association for Aid and Relief Japan.

Through strong collaboration and support from the abovementioned association and programme, VFHA was able to increase its programme and awareness outreach to the people of Vanuatu.

Fixed assets purchased through the fund have helped in improving their services such as the vehicle and renovation of the clinic at Santo. The Association is also drafting IEC materials on Family Planning Booklet and STI. They believe that through this materials, lives will be saved and people will make use of the provision of services by VFHA.

UPDATES ON PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	BUDGET AUD
<p>Output 1.1: Relevant clinic staff trained to support IPPF IPES compliance</p>	<p># of staff that have received training on: - Range of contraceptives including long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs) - Other SRHR (by theme) - Integration with non-communicable diseases</p>	<p>The Association planned and conducted training on LARCs at Santo Clinic on the 2nd – 5th of September, 2015. 10 nurses from Tanna up to Santo were trained on Jadelle including 3 VFHA staff. The training was facilitated by Julian Aru (VFHA PM) and Marie Michel MANWO (Santo government Hospital Midwife) who were both trained by UNFPA this year.</p> <p>The MISIP activities after the cyclone PAM were carried as a holistic package that also included other health conditions and integration with non communicable diseases.</p>	
<p>Output 1.2: SRH services and service mix promoted</p>	<p># new/updated IEC materials developed by type (DVD, leaflet etc) and topic (e.g. different contraceptive methods, SRH and NCDs)</p>	<p>A DVD of SRHR services is in the final stages of development. This would enable VFHA to reach out to bigger audiences.</p> <p>The following IEC materials have been developed and awaiting post tests;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. STI Pamphlets 2. 6 Posters (All SRHR issues) 	

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	BUDGET AUD
<p>Output 1.4 Static service delivery points improved and/or expanded facilitating the introduction of IPPF's Quality Improvement Tool</p>	<p># clinics and other SDPs upgraded (including CBD)</p>	<p>3. Family Planning booklet</p> <p>The renovation of their building in Port Vila is completed and Santo clinic has just started to provide better access to clients and provide better storage space for commodities. A shed to safely store the vehicle was built.</p>	<p>13,169</p>
<p>Output 2.1 Outreach and mobile service sites mapped, approved and resourced in partnership with governments and communities</p>	<p># of services provided in partnership with governments and communities</p>	<p>To improve outreach services in Santo a double cab vehicle already purchased for the association and placed in Santo Clinic.</p>	<p>31,390</p>
<p>Output 2.4 Implementation of outreach activities provided in partnership</p>		<p>Already conducted 15 outreach activities in partnership with the Ministry of Health and UNFPA. The outreach was conducted in the following places and date;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vila / Santo SS 16th – 30th March 2. 1st Trip Tana 15th – 25th of April 3. 1st Trip to Epi Island 12th – 23rd of May 4. El 2nd trip and 3rd 10th of June 5. Nguna/Pele 18th – 20th of June 6. Awareness in Santo May – June 7. Data collection May to June 8. Moso Island 1st – 3rd of July 9. PAAMA Island 7th – 12th of July 10. Tanna 2nd Trip 15th – 20th of July 11. Tanna 3rd Trip 3rd – 6th of August 12. Erakoro Village Awareness 19th of August 13. 3rd Trip Epi Island – 21st of August 14. Eromango 25th of August 15. Santo trip Training on Larcs 	

Description	Indicators	Progress as of September, 2015	BUDGET AUD
<p>Output 3.3 IPPF's Quality Improvement Framework (QI)</p>	<p># FHA static clinics in which Quality Improvement Framework applied</p>	<p>Draft Clinical Operation Manual is now complete and will be verified by IPPF.</p>	
<p>ildreOutput 4.2 Advocacy conducted with Pacific governments</p>	<p># of Population and Development committees set up</p>	<p>VFHA is part of the Population and Development Committees, member of UNDP/Government committee, UNFPA and SCA</p>	
<p>Output 4.3 Creating and working with multi-stakeholder network(s) for advocacy</p>	<p># active multi-stakeholder networks</p>	<p>VFHA have strengthened collaboration with stakeholders such as the Ministry of Health, CCM Global Fund, HIV Unit and UNDP. This was demonstrated during the humanitarian response where VFHA was part of the health cluster.</p>	

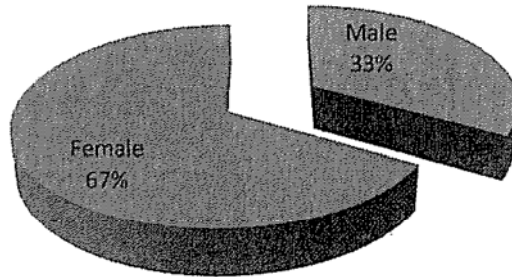
GENDER PROFILE FOR STAFF & BOARD MEMBERS

PACIFIC MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

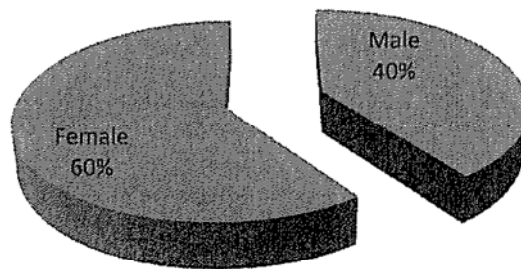
GENDER PROFILE FOR STAFF & BOARD MEMBERS

MEMBER ASSOCIATION	Staff Management		TOTAL	Board Members		TOTAL
	MALE	FEMALE		MALE	FEMALE	
CIFWHA	1	3	4	4	6	10
KFHA	5	8	13	4	4	8
RFHAF	5	7	12	2	9	11
SFHA	3	8	11	1	8	9
SIPPA	5	11	16	4	4	8
TFHA	2	9	11	5	5	10
TuFHA	2	4	6	5	5	10
VFHA	6	8	14	3	1	4
TOTAL	29	58	87	28	42	70

Gender Breakdown for Pacific MA STAFF



Gender Breakdown of Board for Pacific MAs



Annex 10 Risk Management Matrix¹³

Risk Category and Description	Potential Impact	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Profile	Proposed Risk Management	Responsibility
External						
Natural disasters e.g. cyclones, flooding	Clinic and outreach schedule disrupted; some sites not reached; staff stranded at sites	Likely	Severe		Limited outreach planned during cyclone season (Nov-Apr); contingency plans for static clinic services if outreach staff stranded (gap filling); stranded staff continue service provision at site	FHA ED and Clinic staff
Government policy prevents comprehensive service delivery e.g. emergency contraception and abortion care	Limited method mix continues; Clients (particularly young people) deprived of choice	Possible	Moderate		Good preliminary discussions with MoH and SRH policy officers; Reiterate the role and principles of IPPF; Negotiate way around difficult areas with MoH; advocacy activities; Engage MoH nurses in observing clinic activities and relevant training; Protect women's rights to abortion care to the full extent of the law in each country	FHA ED
Regulations prevent current FHA clinic staff from using LARCs (inserting IUD and implants)	Clients deprived of choice; clinical role of FHA registered nurses limited	Possible	Severe		Advocacy needed with Nursing Councils; FHAs recruit midwives in future	FHA MoH
Transport (Flight/ferry) delays and cancellations	Schedule disrupted; some sites not reached; FHA staff stranded at sites	Likely	Severe		Planning and regular review according to updated travel schedules; contingency plans for static clinic services if outreach staff stranded (gap filling); stranded staff continue service provision at site	FHA ED
Religious, social, cultural barriers to	Clients will not be offered all	Possible	Moderate		Good preliminary discussions with community leaders; provide information on	FHA ED and Outreach staff

¹³ See Key to matrix below

Risk Category and Description	Potential Impact	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Profile	Proposed Risk Management	Responsibility
aspects of the program	contraceptive options; clients remain unaware of SRH options				the role and principles of IPPF; negotiate way around difficult areas with community leaders; advocacy activities	DFAT NZ MFAT (UNFPA) ESEAOR FHA
Poor donor coordination	DFAT and MFAT Pacific SRH Programs no longer coordinated; Extra work needed by IPPF/FHAs as separate reporting processes; Different remittance processes	Possible	Moderate		Joint donor presence at annual planning meeting; Sharing of progress reports; Integration of program activities where possible.	
Dependence on partners for cooperation and contribution (e.g. staff, clinic facilities etc.)	Could affect scheduling and effectiveness of outreach services; makes attribution difficult	Likely	Moderate		'Sell' the benefits of the arrangement; Effective negotiating, planning and scheduling; MoUs with all partners clearly stating roles and responsibilities;	FHA Partners
Lack of government buy-in	FHA role becomes unsustainable	Unlikely	Moderate		FHAs are seen as an indispensable partner to MoH; FHAs promotes model and successes; Annual planning of outreach sites with MoH; Ensure data flows to MoH HIS and reports to MoH; Ongoing active advocacy; Negotiate MoU with MoH with provision of contracted selected services progressively	FHA
Organizational						
Duration of LARC training disrupts clinic services	Staff gap filling expensive and difficult;	Possible	Moderate		Opt for shorter courses where high volume of clients available for practical experience e.g. Philippines or India in collaboration with sister	

Risk Category and Description	Potential Impact	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Profile	Proposed Risk Management	Responsibility
	Longer Regional training may still not fulfil required practical experience for nurses				IPPF MAs	
FHA stance on care of women who want abortion	Women's right to abortion care is a key IPPF objective; not legal in PICs	Possible	Moderate		Protect women's rights to abortion care to the full extent of the law in each country; Use IPPF Harm Reduction Model and IPES tool for post-abortion care	FHA SROP
Limited funds for high travel costs to reach remote and needy areas	Most needy areas not reached Limited sites reached	Unlikely	Major		Good analysis and planning according to most needy areas first; Review outreach effectiveness in Yr 3 and decide if expansion possible; develop capacity of local service providers to do integrated SRH services	FHA ED and Outreach staff
Increased demands on FHA staff, particularly clinic and education staff	Static clinic service suffers; Limited back-up staff for static clinic	Possible	Severe		Develop contingency plans for gap filling staff; prioritise working with local health service providers at outreach sites (where possible) to develop SRH capacity and for sustainability; Outreach from static clinics first then expand out	FHA ED and Outreach staff
No local health centre at outreach site	No venue for conducting outreach services	Possible	Moderate		Negotiate with women's group or local NGOs to host SRH service; engage nearest health centre staff	FHA ED and Outreach staff
Limited partners with whom to collaborate to provide outreach services	Potential for partnerships with government health services and NGOs not realised	Possible in some PICs	Moderate		Include training for clinical and education staff in any potential partner organization in the Program	FHA ED
Limited absorptive capacity of some FHAs	Unspent funds; SRH needs of PMSEU in remote	Likely	Moderate		Assistance from SROP POs; following mid-term review in Yr 3, transfer unspent funds to more effective FHAs for expansion	SROP ESEAOR

Risk Category and Description	Potential Impact	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Profile	Proposed Risk Management	Responsibility
Stockouts of SRH commodities	SRH services incomplete and schedule disrupted	Unlikely	Severe		Good planning of commodities for outreach program; Use alternative IPPF options for procurement; Country at-risk scheme activated by SROP	FHA ED and outreach staff; SROP
Stockout of long acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs)	Full choice of contraceptives not offered to clients	Possible	Moderate		FHAs may need to advocate for the inclusion of LARCs into the essential medicine lists and procurement lists. These can then be obtained by MoH through UNFPA and accessible by FHAs	
Financial						
Funding to FHAs not equal	Discontent among FHAs FHAs with no or limited clinic services disadvantaged	Likely	Moderate		Emphasise imperatives of: providing comprehensive SRH services, reaching those most in need, and that FHAs with more remote islands will need more funds for outreach; Mid-term review in Yr 3 should reward performance	ESEAOR/SROP
Acquittals of expenditure slow by some FHAs	Schedule disrupted as next tranche not remitted until last tranche acquitted	Possible	Moderate		Follow past program processes; Seek assistance from SROP POS.	FHA ED SROP POS
Funds used fraudulently	FHA reputational risk; IPPF reputational risk; DFAT reputational risk	Possible	Major		ESEAOR/SROP monitor progress via annual planning meeting and visits to FHAs; Action taken on fraudulent activity as per IPPF policy	ESEAOR/SROP DFAT
FHA has qualified audit	Problems with financial management; Reputational risk for FHA, IPPF and NZ MFAT	Possible	Moderate		DFAT advised immediately; Action taken to address financial management problems; If not addressed adequately, FHA is excluded from program	ESEAOR/SROP FHA ED

1. Likelihood

Identify the level of likelihood of the risk occurring:

Likelihood	Description
Almost certain	Expected to occur in most circumstances
Likely	Will probably occur in most circumstances
Possible	50/50 that it might occur at some time
Unlikely	Could occur at some time
Rare	May occur only in exceptional circumstances

2. Consequence

Identify the level of consequence if the risk occurs:

Descriptor	Description (indicative examples)
Severe	Causes serious harm to Activity beneficiaries, (individual; community, organisation, or country) Serious reputational damage to contributing partners
Major	Some harm to Activity beneficiaries, (individual; community, organisation, or country) Achievement of Activity objectives significantly compromised Reputational damage to contributing partners Significant financial loss to contributing partners, organisations, communities, individuals
Moderate	Achievement of Activity objectives compromised Costs escalate more than 30% Significant implementation delays

Colour	Risk level	Measures required
Green	Low	Normal control and monitoring measures will be sufficient.
Orange	Medium	This requires measures to manage the likelihood or consequence of a risk and active monitoring.
Red	High	Extreme risks are likely to occur and would prevent achievement of outcomes, cause unacceptable cost overruns and/or schedule slippage. Significant reputational damage will occur.

SPRINT WORK PLAN FOR JULY 2015 - JUNE 2016

Attachment G

Donor : Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

Components/Expected Outcomes	Tracking no.	Objective Verifiable Indicators	Target Value	Actual	Target Value	Actual	Total target value	Total actual	Remarks
			Jul-Dec 2015		Jan-Jun 2016				
Goal		Number Reduced Maternal mortality Number Reduced Neonatal mortality Number Reduced HIV & STI transmission	-		-		-		This is at program level
Purpose		Number CCT contribution to progress against MISP checklist							This is at program level
Component 1: Disaster Risk Reduction- Enabling Environment									
Objective: The policy and funding environment is increasingly supportive of SRH in crisis settings									
AUD 699,786									
Expected Outcome 1.1 National disaster management policies include Minimal Initial Service Package (MISP)	1.2d	No. of priority countries have MISP integrated into national disaster/emergency management policies	3		3		6	0	The Africa Region (AR): 4 The East & South East Asia and Oceania Region (ESEAOR): 2 The South Asia Region (SAR): 0
	1.1c	Number of priority country CCT that is part of national disaster mechanisms	1		2		3		AR: 0 ESEAOR: 2 SAR: 1
	1.6c	Number of MISP assessments conducted with reports of findings	1		1		2		Responsibility of IAWG/ WRC, SPRINT to provide technical support
Expected Outcome 1.2 New global and regional policies to support MISP are in place	1.1g	Number of global and regional level policies, guidelines, statement and standards which include MISP	0		3		3		AR: 1 ESEAOR: 1 SAR: 1
Expected Outcome 1.3 Regional and national organisations are integrating MISP into their preparedness and response programming	1.4b	Number of collaboration agreements/commitments with identified regional response agencies for integration of MISP into their programmes	1		2		3		AR: 2 ESEAOR: 1 SAR: 0
	1.4d	Number of national response agencies which are members of CCT implementing MISP in their response	6		6		12		AR: 2 ESEAOR: 6 SAR: 4
Expected Outcome 1.4 At the country level, funding/resrouces increase for MISP preparedness and implementation	1.5b	Number of meetings or summit with potential donors	1		2		3		DFID, ECHO, UNHCR, and others
	1.5d	Number of proposals prepared and submitted to potential donors with the help of SPRINT	1		2		3		Hub will take a lead with support from regional teams AR:1 ESEAOR: 1 SAR: 1
Component 2: Preparedness-Capacity Development									
Objective: Increased national capacity to coordinate the implementation of the MISP in humanitarian settings									
AUD 400,509									
Expected outcome 2.1 Improved capacity of national stakeholders through the CCTs to coordinate the implementation of MISP	2.1b	Number of priority countries where SPRINT partnerships with CCTs have been strengthened	11		4		15		AR: 6 ESEAOR: 5 (except Timor Leste) SAR: 4
	2.4d	Number of Training of Trainer (TOT) conducted	0		0		0		No ToT will be conducted in the final year
	2.4l	% of training participants (all trainings) who feel confident to use, work and advocate for the inclusion of SRH in crisis settings in emergency preparedness/response policies and	NA		NA		NA		
	2.4n	% of TOT training participants who scored 85% or higher on training post-test (or module post-tests)	NA		NA		NA		
	2.5c	Number of MISP Initial trainings at country/provincial/district levels	12		5		17		Based on MTR, more focus on MISP overview and Simulation exercise, including the Regional JPPF office trainings AR: 4 ESEAOR: 7 SAR: 3 Hub: 3
	2.4o	% of SPRINT trainers who participated in SPRINT TOT further facilitate MISP Initial trainings	NA		NA		NA		No MISP ToT in the final year
	2.7a	Number of humanitarian organisations, universities, and other institutions across each region who have included the SPRINT Curriculum on MISP in their curriculum/ training programme	3		4		7		AR: 2 ESEAOR: 3 SAR: 2

Components/Expected Outcomes	Tracking no.	Objective Verifiable Indicators	Target Value	Actual	Target Value	Actual	Total target value	Total actual	Remarks
			Jul-Dec 2015		Jan-Jun 2016				
Expected outcome 2.2 Increase in the pool of people at the national and regional levels with awareness, knowledge and understanding of the MISP	2.5d	Number of people trained in Initial MISP Trainings	210		90		300		AR: 60 ESEAOR: 105 SAR: 90
	2.4e	Number of people trained as trainers (TOT)	0		0		0		No MISP ToT in the final year
Component 3: Emergency Response									
Objective: CCT able to respond effectively in a timely manner during a crisis									
AUD 565,135									
Expected outcome 3.1 CCTs are able to respond effectively in a timely manner during a crisis	3.2g	% of sudden-onset emergency response has taken place within 48 hours after receiving the final proposal	80%		90%		85%		Targetting 85% of all responses to initiate action within SPRINT (Hub and RO) within 48 hours after final approval from DFAT
	3.1c	Number of CCTs oriented on the SPRINT Emergency Response SOP for timely effective response.	8		2		10		AR: 1 ESEAOR: 5 SAR: 4
	3.1d	Percentage of emergency response project reports submitted by the CCT to the regional team on time	100%		100%		100%		
	3.1f	% of emergency response projects for which a monitoring or evaluation visit was conducted by the regional team/Hub for its quality and effectiveness	100%		100%		100%		At Least one supervisory, monitoring and hand-holding visit to all the emergencies will be conducted
	3.2l	% of responses that include prevention and management of Sexual Gender-based Violence (SGBV)	100%		100%		100%		All the emergency responses will include SGBV component
	3.2m	Number of Tier 2** countries that improve their capacity to respond and move to Tier 1***	2		1		3		AR: 1 ESEAOR: 1 SAR: 1
	3.2h	% of MISP assessments/checklists conducted during ER projects	100%		100%		100%		The MISP assessment will be conducted for all the emergency responses
Expected outcome 3.2 Percentage of crises in priority countries to which there is a response	3.1g	% of medium to large scale emergencies which call for international aid has been responded in tier 1** countries	90%		90%		90%		90% of the emergencies in tier 1 countries will be responded, based on the In-Country Post and DFAT approval
		% of medium to large scale emergencies which call for international aid has been responded in tier 2*** countries	80%		80%		80%		80% of the emergencies in tier 2 countries will be responded, based on the In-Country Post and DFAT approval
Expected outcome 3.3 Increase timely access for crisis affected populations to life-saving sexual and reproductive health services	ER KPI 3.2n	% of targeted beneficiary SPRINT will try to reach with SRH assistance	100%		100%		100%		
	ER KPI	% of SPRINT direct beneficiaries are women and girls provided with SRH assistance	60%		60%		60%		More focus to reach women and girls (60%), among the total target populations
Component 4: SPRINT management and Organisation									
Objective: To deliver a well managed programme, underpinned by the robust internal systems, monitoring and evaluation and lesson learned									
Expected outcome 4.1 Effective management of SPRINT from the programmatic, financial, logistics and human resource perspective	4.1c	Staff recruited and positions are filled in	100%		100%		100%		All the staff positions will be filled
	4.2b	SPRINT programme abide by selected humanitarian accountability framework	Yes		Yes		Yes		
	4.4b	Number of staff who have developed their workplans	14		0		14		AR: 2 ESEAOR: 2 SAR: 2 Hub: 8
	4.4c	Number of staff who have reviewed their workplans with their supervisors	14		0		14		AR: 2 ESEAOR: 2 SAR: 2 Hub: 8
Expected outcome 4.2 Evidence of reviews and Monitoring and Evaluation implementation contributing to the overall program response	4.3c	M&E system is developed, updated and operationalised	Yes		Yes		Yes		
	4.3b	# of global and regional workshops conducted to review the M&E system [i.e. indicators, framework, data collection]	1		0		1		Global M&E workshop
Expected outcome 4.3 Greater Hub and Regional Advisors/Managers staff satisfaction	4.6a	# of staff who in consultation with their supervisors have developed their professional development plans	11		0		11		New staff may not have time for professional development AR: 2 ESEAOR: 2 SAR: 2
	4.6b	# of staff who have attended events/trainings according to their agreed professional development plan	11		0		11		AR: 2 ESEAOR: 2 SAR: 2 Hub: 8
budget									
total budget									AUD 2,000,000

Note:

* sudden-onset emergency: earthquakes, floods, landslides, volcanic eruptions, tsunamis, cyclones, and industrial accidents.

** tier 1 countries are those which had strong capacity and interest to respond to emergencies effectively.

Components/Expected Outcomes	Tracking no.	Objective Verifiable Indicators	Target Value	Actual	Target Value	Actual	Total target value	Total actual	Remarks
			Jul-Dec 2015		Jan-Jun 2016				

*** tier 2 countries are those which need to further develop its capacity to respond to emergencies effectively.

**SPRINT II - ANNUAL WORK PLAN
FOR PERIOD: 1 JULY 2015 TO 30 JUNE 2016
FOR REGION: CONSOLIDATED**

Objectives	AUD		
	July to Dec 2015	Jan to June 2016	Total Budget July 2015-June 2016
COMPONENT 1: DRR - Enabling Environment	438,220	261,566	699,786
Output 1.1 Advocacy in global, regional and national platforms, for DRR and emergency preparedness for the inclusion of MISP in strategies and/or policy	271,570	201,853	473,423
Output 1.2 Advocacy for the integration of the MISP into national emergency response policy	8,550	21,920	30,470
Output 1.3 Engagement with the IAWG	3,811	12,813	16,624
Output 1.4 Engage regional and national stakeholders to integrate MISP into their programs	36,250	-	36,250
Output 1.5 SPRINT support to apply for humanitarian funding to prepare for the implementation of the MISP	5,625	-	5,625
Output 1.6 Partnership with Women's Refugee Commission to strengthen global level initiatives to promote SRH in crisis	112,414	24,981	137,395
COMPONENT 2: Preparedness-Capacity Development	231,656	168,853	400,509
Output 2.1 Country Coordination Team TOR developed	7,500	-	7,500
Output 2.2 CCT Workplan	-	-	-
Output 2.3 Revised trainings curriculum on coordination of the MISP	1,875	-	1,875
Output 2.4 Refresher training for Trainers	-	-	-
Output 2.5 In-country SPRINT Coordination trainings undertaken	88,125	18,750	106,875
Output 2.6 Post-training support for trainers	2,500	2,500	5,000
Output 2.7 Advocate and provide technical support for integration of the SPRINT curriculum on MISP coordination into national pre-service, postgraduate on-the-job curricula, and/or regional training initiatives	131,656	147,603	279,259
COMPONENT 3: Emergency Response	314,443	250,693	565,135
Output 3.1 SPRINT Hub SOPs for response adapted and applied	3,125	9,375	12,500
Output 3.2 In-country support for surge capacity and the procurement of RH commodities	311,318	226,318	537,635
Output 3.3 Leveraging Funding Resources	-	-	-
Output 3.4 Post Emergency Review	-	15,000	15,000
COMPONENT 4: SPRINT Management and Organisation	110,265	93,464	203,729
Output 4.1 Establish Hub structure	79,640	85,964	165,604
Output 4.2 Hub adherence to humanitarian process/compliance	-	-	-
Output 4.3 M&E approach and mechanisms developed	10,000	-	10,000

Output 4.4 Key staff strategies and workplans developed	-	-	-	-
Output 4.5 Internal emergency response SOP developed	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PROJECT COST	1,094,584	774,575	1,869,159	1,869,159
Grand Total	1,171,205	828,795	2,000,000	2,000,000

Acronym list

- DRR - Disaster Risk Reduction
- IAWG - Inter Agency Working Group
- MISP - Minimum Initial Services Package
- SRH - Sexual and Reproductive Health
- RH - Reproductive Health
- M&E - Monitoring and Evaluation
- SOPs - Standard Operating Procedures

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 69

Program: DFAT

Topic: DFAT personnel security and wellbeing

Question in Writing

Senator Reynolds

Question

- 1. Is DFAT aware of the United States BioShield Act and Project to acquire and stockpile medical countermeasures to biological, chemical, radiological and nuclear agents for homeland security personnel and civilian use?**
- 2. Has the Department had any engagement with the US Government on the threat of the possible release of the smallpox virus and other biological threats?**
- 3. What is DFAT's assessment of the risk to Australian personnel serving in overseas postings of exposure to biological terrorism?**
- 4. What is DFAT's assessment of the risk to Australian personnel serving in high conflict zones in overseas postings of exposure to biological terrorism?**
- 5. What is DFAT's process for assessing the vaccine requirements for departmental officials serving in high risk postings in foreign countries facing the threat of terrorism?**
- 6. What precautions has DFAT taken to ensure that its personnel are protected against current and potential threats biological and chemical warfare?**
- 7. What are the chemical and biological warfare threats to departmental officials face or potentially face in high risk overseas postings?**
- 8. What precautions has DFAT taken to ensure that its personnel are protected against current and potential threats biological and chemical warfare?**
- 9. Has the Department assessed the threat of an outbreak of new strands of high contagious viruses?**
- 10. Has DFAT given consideration to protecting its personnel against new forms of biological and chemical warfare, and if so, what action has the Department taken to ensure that vaccines are available?**

Answer

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1. Yes.
2. Australia cooperates with the US and others on smallpox and other biological threats through the Australia Group, which seek to ensure that exports do not contribute to the development of chemical or biological weapons. Australia Group members have procedures in place so that pathogens on the Group's Human and Animal Pathogens and Toxins List, which includes Smallpox, are not exported from their countries without a permit.
3. The threat to Australian personnel serving in overseas postings of exposure to biological terrorism is very low. DFAT relies heavily in this area on assessments from intelligence agencies.
4. The risk to Australian personnel serving in high-conflict zones in overseas postings of exposure to biological terrorism is very low. DFAT relies heavily in this area on assessments from intelligence agencies.
5. DFAT is guided by standards and advice issued by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Department of Health.
6. In cases where chemical warfare threats have been assessed to be credible, DFAT has provided equipment, standard operating procedures and training to mitigate the threat. As noted above, the risk from biological warfare is very low.
7. The threat faced by DFAT staff overseas from chemical and biological agents or weapons is currently assessed as very low. There is no evidence that any terrorist groups have the ability to use biological weapons. Very few terrorist groups have the ability to exploit chemical agents for terrorism purposes. The Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) is assessed to have used chlorine and mustard gas in northern Iraq on several occasions, and this threat is ongoing. The closest Australian Embassy, or location frequented by DFAT officials, is in Baghdad. Politically motivated and psychologically troubled individuals have also used the postal system to deliver chemicals, or sophisticated hoaxes, to embassies and consulates globally.
8. DFAT has taken appropriate steps to mitigate threats where it is relevant to do so. We do not discuss the details of such security measures.
9. DFAT relies on advice from expert international and Australian authorities, such as the WHO and the Department of Health.
10. DFAT relies on advice from authorities such as, the WHO, the Department of Health and intelligence agencies.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 70

Program: DFAT

Topic: Export statistics

Question in Writing

Senator Reynolds

Question

1. Please outline the export statistics for the Australian wine industry, including state by state data if available, from the free trade agreements with Japan, South Korea and China.

2. Please outline the export statistics for the Australian cattle farming industry, including state by state data if available, from the free trade agreements with Japan, South Korea and China.

Answer

The attached spreadsheet displays annual export statistics for wine (bottled and bulk) and commodities produced from cattle farming. State data are included, however there are caveats around some of the cattle farming series – notes have been inserted beside the relevant series.

The statistics cover Korea (KAFTA entry into force was 12/12/2014) and Japan (entry into force was 15/01/2015), for the years 2014 and 2015. No meaningful statistics are yet available for wine exports to China after the entry into force of the ChAFTA (20/12/2015).

Australia's Bottled Wine Exports to Japan and Korea: 2014

AHECC - Ahecc4	State	CY2014	CY2014	CY2015	CY2015
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		Litres	A\$000	Litres	A\$000
Japan					
Wine in bottles	New South Wales -	2,423,885	11,318	2,516,813	11,896
Wine in bottles	Victoria -	1,165,364	4,474	752,286	3,580
Wine in bottles	Queensland -	14,395	241	16,998	230
Wine in bottles	South Australia -	2,571,799	13,132	2,796,266	14,395
Wine in bottles	Western Australia -	69,232	648	110,054	1,180
Wine in bottles	Tasmania -	3,253	45	6,281	92
Wine in bottles	Northern Territory	864	7		
Wine in bottles	Re-exports and confidential	57,816	347	165,942	1,173
Wine in bottles	Total Australia	6,306,608	30,212	6,364,640	32,547
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines	New South Wales -	857,226	3,886	1,012,475	4,822
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines	Victoria -	420,100	1,992	242,859	1,237
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines	Queensland -	7,077	116	7,772	97
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines	South Australia -	1,168,972	4,920	1,079,932	4,885
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines	Western Australia -	33,723	312	38,908	390
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines	Tasmania -	1,273	15	2,403	36
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Re-exports and confidential	26,954	163	112,817	809
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines	Total Australia	2,515,325	11,404	2,497,166	12,275
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines,	New South Wales -	1,566,659	7,432	1,504,338	7,074
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines,	Victoria -	745,264	2,482	509,427	2,343
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines,	Queensland -	7,318	125	9,226	133
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines,	South Australia -	1,402,827	8,212	1,716,334	9,510
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines,	Western Australia -	35,509	337	71,146	790
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines,	Tasmania -	1,980	30	3,878	56
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines,	Northern Territory	864	7		
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Re-exports and confidential	30,862	184	53,125	365
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines,	Total Australia	3,791,283	18,807	3,867,474	20,272
Republic of Korea					
Wine in bottles	New South Wales -	492,771	2,418	500,046	2,645
Wine in bottles	Victoria -	74,862	423	151,583	1,025

Wine in bottles	Queensland -			1,035	10
Wine in bottles	South Australia -	503,935	4,384	870,414	7,223
Wine in bottles	Western Australia -	7,078	100	11,101	132
Wine in bottles	Tasmania -	378	6	630	5
Wine in bottles	Re-exports and confidential	6,852	69	16,799	337
Wine in bottles	Total Australia	1,085,876	7,400	1,551,608	11,376
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	New South Wales -	95,545	447	93,951	489
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Victoria -	17,939	97	56,559	408
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Queensland -			540	6
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	South Australia -	81,637	373	199,086	857
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Western Australia -	2,519	42	3,928	51
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Tasmania -	36	1	630	5
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Re-exports and confidential	6,107	50	12,014	101
22042151 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Total Australia	203,783	1,010	366,708	1,916
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	New South Wales -	397,226	1,971	406,095	2,155
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Victoria -	56,923	325	95,024	617
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Queensland -			495	4

22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	South Australia -	422,298	4,012	671,328	6,367
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Western Australia -	4,559	57	7,173	81
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Tasmania -	342	5		
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Re-exports and confidential	745	19	4,785	236
22042152 Red table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines, rose and fortified wines), in containers not exceeding 2 L	Total Australia	882,093	6,390	1,184,900	9,460

Australia's Bulk Wine Exports

AHECC - Ahecc4	State - State	CY2014	CY2014	CY2015	CY2015
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		Litres	A\$000	Litres	A\$000
Japan					
Wine in bulk	New South Wales -			1,776,803	1,874
Wine in bulk	Victoria -	336,018	520	358,000	488
Wine in bulk	South Australia -	942,454	1,647	2,603,540	3,159
Wine in bulk	Re-exports and confidential	144,051	132		
Wine in bulk	Total Australia	1,422,523	2,299	4,738,343	5,522
22042983 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines), in containers exceeding 4.6 L	New South Wales -			672,401	692
22042983 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines), in containers exceeding 4.6 L	Victoria -	168,018	269	262,000	386
22042983 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines), in containers exceeding 4.6 L	South Australia -	272,620	488	904,066	943
22042983 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines), in containers exceeding 4.6 L	Re-exports and confidential	48,000	41		
22042983 White table wines from fresh grapes (excl. sparkling wines), in containers exceeding 4.6 L	Total Australia	488,638	798	1,838,467	2,021

	NSW A\$000	Victoria A\$000	Queensland A\$000	SA A\$000	WA A\$000	Tasmania A\$000	NT A\$000	
Exports to Japan								
Live pure-bred breeding cattle	74		835	0	0	0	0	
Live cattle (excl. pure-bred breeding cattle)	12,156	342	271	0	0	0	0	
Beef & Beef Offal	289,851	177,910	1,208,914	57,451	33,938	58,563	491	
Raw hides and skins	989	351	2,607	0	0	0	0	Includes hides and skins of bovine and equine origin
Leather	4,677	0	0	0	0	0	0	Includes leather of bovine and equine origin
Total	307,747	178,603	1,212,627	57,451	33,938	58,563	491	
Exports to Republic of Korea								
Beef & Beef Offal	226,593	90,996	626,236	56,898	25,641	10,724	0	
Raw hides and skins	60	0	666	0	0	0	0	Includes hides and skins of bovine and equine origin
Leather	193	105	0	0	0	0	0	Includes leather of bovine and equine origin
Total	226,846	91,101	626,902	56,898	25,641	10,724	0	

	2015 NSW A\$000	2015 Victoria A\$000	2015 Queensland A\$000	2015 SA A\$000	2015 WA A\$000	2015 Tasmania A\$000	2015 NT A\$000
Exports to Japan							
Live pure-bred breeding cattle	118	0	0	0	0	0	0

							January to September only for 2015 (a)
Live cattle (excl. pure-bred breeding cattle)	8,128	710	1,333	83	0	0	0
Beef & Beef Offal	357,239	177,288	1,430,520	55,361	33,472	60,029	3,280
							Includes hides and skins of bovine and equine origin
Raw hides and skins	651	56	2,513	0	0	0	0
							Includes leather of bovine and equine origin
Leather	4,095	84	0	0	0	0	0
Total	370,231	178,138	1,434,366	55,444	33,472	60,029	3,280
Exports to Republic of Korea							
Beef & Beef Offal	256,242	118,752	881,488	56,575	31,278	17,167	6,720
							Includes hides and skins of bovine and equine origin
Raw hides and skins	0	0	282	0	0	0	0
Leather	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	256,242	118,752	881,770	56,575	31,278	17,167	6,720

(a) Due to confidentiality restrictions in ABS data, exports of live cattle by country (excl. breeding cattle) are not available as from October 2015.

Source: ABS data on DFAT STARS database

AUSTRALIAN EXPORTS RELATED TO CATTLE FARMING - 2014 to 2015

	2014 A\$000	2015 A\$000

	Exports to Japan		
Live pure-bred breeding cattle	908	170	January to September only for 2015 (a)
Live cattle (excl. pure-bred breeding cattle)	12,914	10,254	
Beef & Beef Offal	1,827,265	2,117,337	
Raw hides and skins	3,947	3,220	Includes hides and skins of bovine and equine origin
Leather	4,677	4,179	Includes leather of bovine and equine origin
Total	1,849,711	2,135,160	

	2014 A\$000	2015 A\$000	
	Exports to Republic of Korea		
Beef & Beef Offal	1,037,813	1,368,987	
Raw hides and skins	726	282	Includes hides and skins of bovine and equine origin
Leather	298	0	Includes leather of bovine and equine origin
Total	1,038,837	1,369,269	

(a) Due to confidentiality restrictions in ABS data, exports of live cattle by country (excl. breeding cattle) are not available as from October 2015.

Source: ABS data on DFAT STARS database

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 71

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial travel

Question in Writing

Senator Brown

Question

Please provide a full list of overseas staff travel for Minister Robb and Minister Colbeck from 7 September 2013 to present including date of travel, event, purpose, itinerary, cost of travel, class of travel, hotel and dining expenditure, any stopovers included.

Answer

The department does not record travel data in a way that would readily allow answers to be provided to these questions. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 72

Program: DFAT

Topic: TPP

Question in Writing

Senator Simms

Question

1. Was the Department consulted about the nature of clauses included in the TPP to go to the provision and regulation of education?

If, NO – are there any aspects of the TPP which are of concern to the Department?

If YES, what was the nature of that advice in relation to public education? That is, did the Department effectively seek a total carve-out in relation to public education similar to that which seems to have been achieved in relation to Tobacco?

2. Can you confirm that the TPP reservations in relation to education do not prevent foreign-owned education providers from using Investor State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) to sue the Commonwealth or any other Australian government if they believe their property, proprietary rights or future income has been indirectly expropriated?

3. Let me use a specific example to highlight my concerns. Could regulatory reforms to the VET FEE-HELP arrangements, such as those announced by Senator Birmingham on 1 December, and that has the effect of freezing the value VET FEE-HELP loans to all providers (including overseas owned private providers), be considered an indirect expropriation of future income streams under the TPP? That is, could a foreign owned VET provider use the ISDS provisions to sue the government if changes to education policy intended to be in the public interest had a negative impact on their future earnings?

Answer

1. Yes. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade consulted the Department of Education, State and Territory governments and other relevant government departments in developing a whole of government approach to education in the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TTP) Agreement.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade also consulted with a number of education stakeholders, including Australian universities, Universities

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Australia, the National Tertiary Education Union, the Council for Private Education and Training, the Standing Council on School Education and Early Childhood, the Council of Private Higher Education and the International Education Association of Australia.

Due to the operation of the TPP's investment rules and specific carve-outs for Australian public education and public training, no further sector-specific carve-out was necessary and was not requested.

The TPP will not affect the regulation of the education sector in Australia.

2. The TPP Investment rules include the right to compensation for certain types of expropriation. The standard for expropriation is high and is set out in Article 9.8 and Annex 9B. Expropriation is defined as the customary international law standard. There has to be a substantial deprivation of a property right. A key factor is the extent to which it impacts distinct, reasonable, investment-backed expectations. Whether an investor's expectations are reasonable depends on factors such as whether the government provided the investor with binding written assurances. The nature and purpose of the measure is also relevant, in particular, whether it is non-discriminatory and non-protectionist.

Further, the TPP's Investment Chapter makes clear that a Party's decision not to issue, renew or maintain a subsidy or grant does not, standing alone, constitute an expropriation (see Article 9.8.6).

3. No. "Negative effect on future earnings" is not a sufficient basis for an ISDS claim under the TPP. An ISDS claim under the TPP could only arise where a foreign investor of a TPP Party: (i) has an investment; (ii) an investment obligation has been breached and (iii) this has resulted in direct loss or damage to the investment.

Subsidies and grants are carved out from the application of the National Treatment, Most Favoured Nation Treatment and Senior Management and Boards of Directors investment obligations. Further, the TPP's Investment Chapter makes clear that a Party's decision not to issue, renew or maintain a subsidy or grant does not, standing alone, constitute an expropriation (see Article 9.8.6).

In addition, Australia has made clear in its Annex II Schedule of the TPP that nothing in the investment or cross-border trade in services chapters of

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the TPP will interfere with government funding, subsidies or grants to education and training institutions.

For completeness, the TPP's investment obligations would only apply to those measures taken after the entry into force of the TPP

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Question No 73

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial functions

Question in Writing

Senator Bilyk

Question

In relation to any functions or official receptions hosted by Ministers or Assistant Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries in the Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio since 20 October 2015, can the following please be provided:

- *List of functions;*
- *List of attendees including departmental officials and members of the Minister's family or personal staff;*
- *Function venue;*
- *Itemised list of costs;*
- *Details of any food served;*
- *Details of any wines or champagnes served including brand and vintage; and*

Details of any entertainment provided.

Answer

Hospitality and attending and hosting functions form an essential part of overseas visits by Ministers. These services are managed by all areas across the Department including Australian Government Posts. To provide further details would entail a significant and unreasonable diversion of resources.

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Question No 74

Program: DFAT

Topic: Secretary's speeches to staff

Question in Writing

Senator Bilyk

Question

Can a copy of any speeches delivered by the Secretary of the Department at any staff meetings in 2015 please be provided?

Answer

The Secretary holds regular staff forums at which he speaks informally about the corporate and policy agenda. These discussions are in house with an expectation by all participants that they will not be made public.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 75

Program: DFAT

Topic: Executive office upgrades

Question in Writing

Senator Bilyk

Question

Have the furniture, fixtures or fittings of the Secretary's office, or the offices of any Deputy Secretaries, been upgraded since 20 October 2015? If so, can an itemised list of costs please be provided?

Answer

A. No

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 76

Program: DFAT

Topic: Austender Contracts

Question in Writing

Senator Bilyk

Question

In relation to the contract [CN3319003](#) as notified on AusTender, awarded to Cole Workwear Pty Ltd for “Provision of Promotional Merchandise”:

- 1. What items, and in what quantities were purchased under this contract?**
- 2. What division of the Department has carriage of this contract?**
- 3. Who in the Department authorised this contract?**
- 4. What other services were provided under this contract, including but not limited to design services?**
- 5. For whom are the items purchased under this contract intended, and when and how will they be available?**
- 6. How many intended recipients are there?**
- 7. What text/logos appear on the items purchased under this contract?**
- 8. Please provide copies of any images held by the Department of these items, including but not limited to sketches and photos**

Answer

1. Smartraveller promotional merchandise was procured under this contract:
 - a. 30,000 branded pens
 - b. 30,000 branded luggage tags.
2. Consular and Crisis Management Division (CCD) manages the contract.
3. The contract was authorised by Brek Batley, Director, Consular Information Section, CCD.
4. The services of the contract include the layout of provided graphics and production of the merchandise.
5. The merchandise will be made available to the Australian public through outreach events, such as travel expos, as a brand awareness tool. Production of the merchandise is expected to be complete by 30 June 2016.
6. The number of intended recipients is between 30,000 and 60,000 people.
7. The following details appear on the merchandise:
 - a. Luggage tags: Smartraveler logo, ‘Be Informed. Be Prepared’ tagline ‘call to action’ icons, and Consular Emergency Centre contact details

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- b. Pens: Smartraveller logo
- 8. Draft artwork of the merchandise is attached.

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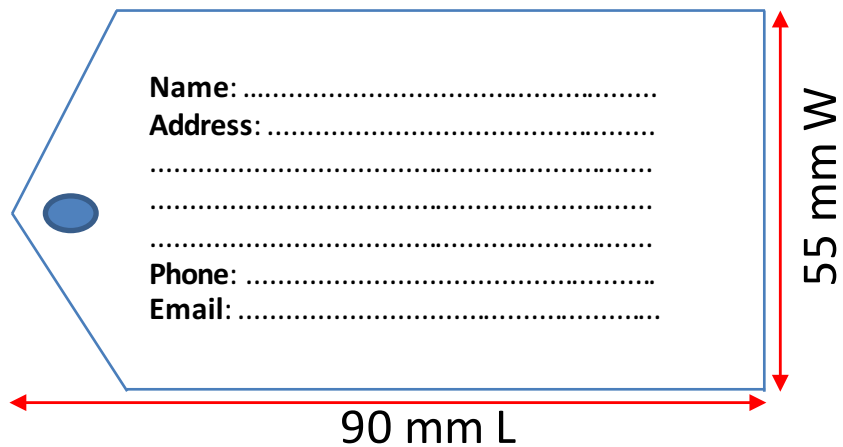
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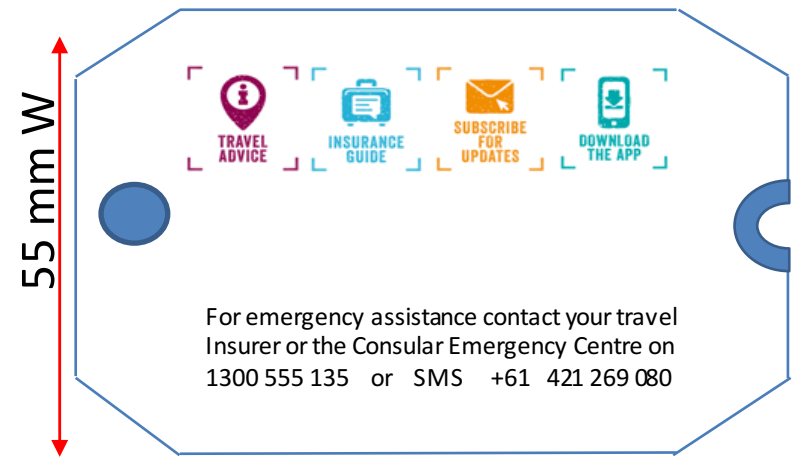
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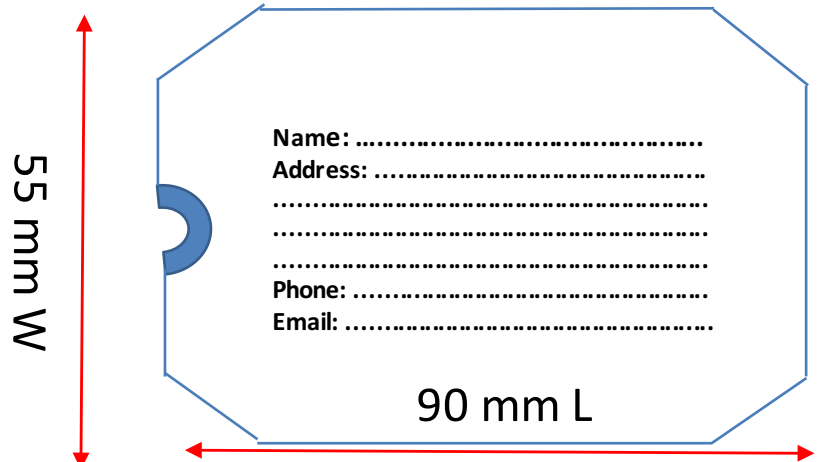
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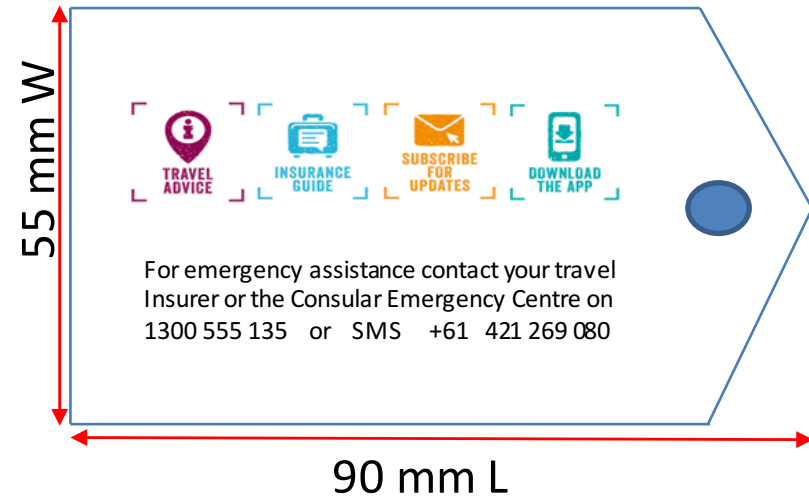
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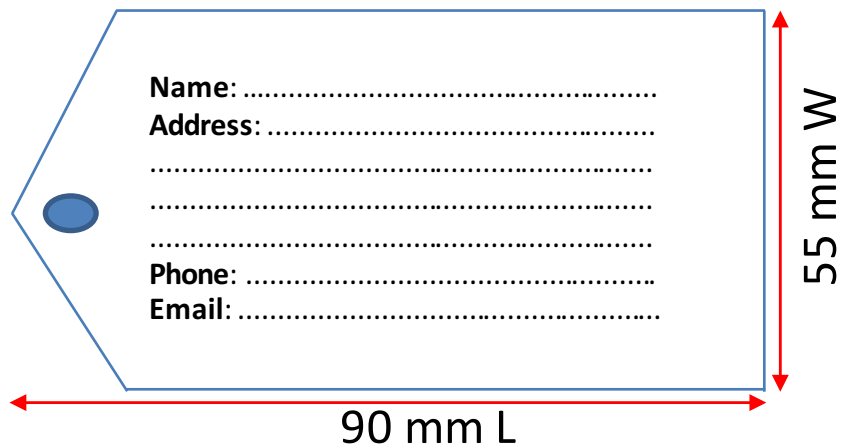
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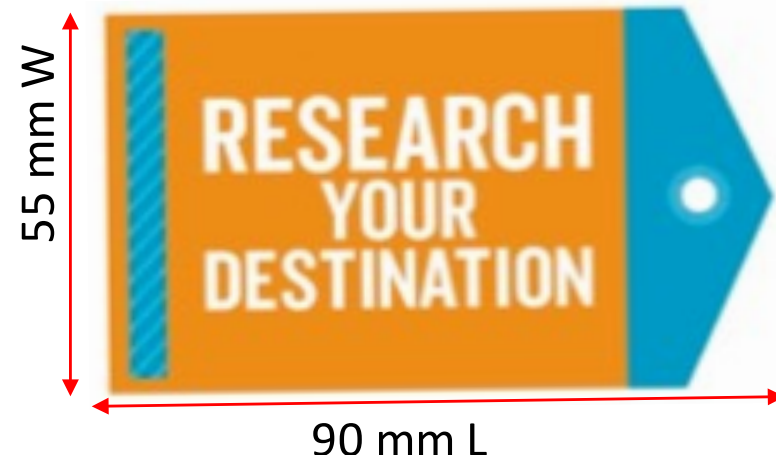
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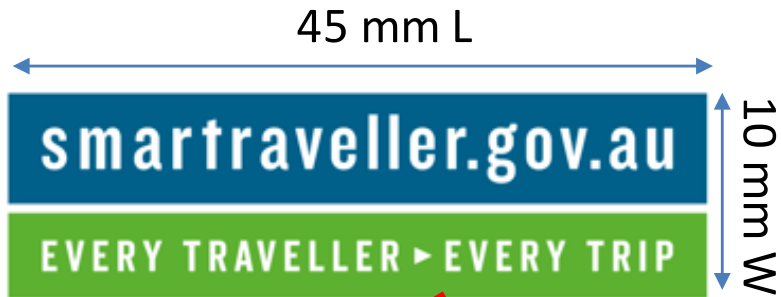
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Tag 2 External



DFAT PEN ARTWORK – 30k



DECORATION AREA

BARREL (PAD):	45mm x 10mm
BARREL (SCREEN):	N/A
CLIP:	N/A
LASER ENGRAVE:	N/A

ARTWORK APPROVAL

PLEASE SCAN THEN EMAIL TO MICHAEL@COLEWORKWEAR.COM:-

Sizes Required:

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Question No 77

Program: DFAT

Topic: Austender Contracts

Question in Writing

Senator Bilyk

Question

In relation to the contract CN2879182 as notified on AusTender, awarded to Paddywack Promotional Products Pty Ltd,

- 1. What items, and in what quantities were purchased under this contract?*
- 2. What division of the Department has carriage of this contract?*
- 3. Who in the Department authorised this contract?*
- 4. What other services were provided under this contract, including but not limited to design services?*
- 5. For whom are the items purchased under this contract intended, and when and how will they be available?*
- 6. How many intended recipients are there?*
- 7. What text/logos appear on the items purchased under this contract?*
- 8. Please provide copies of any images held by the Department of these items, including but not limited to sketches and photos.*

Answer

(1) The following items were provided by Paddywack Promotions:

Australia Awards branded	Quantity
USBs	3500
Name tags – generic	250

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Scarves	4000
Ties	4000
Aluminium water bottles	6000
Luggage tags	6000
Note books	6000
Staff polo shirts	500
Student polo shirts	1250
Satchels	3500
Lapel pins	5000

- (2) Public Diplomacy and Communications Division.
- (3) Kayte Davidson, Acting Director.
- (4) Provision of design concepts for each item; refinement of design concepts; and printing and delivery of items.
- (5) The Australia Awards branded merchandise is provided directly to awardees at various points in the delivery of the program by DFAT, Australia Awards managing contractors, tertiary institutions and Australian Host Organisations delivering Australia Awards Fellowships. Merchandise is provided to scholarship recipients at Australia Awards and Alumni events including:
- a) in country pre-departure briefings
 - b) in country intake promotions, roadshows and events
 - c) institutions Introductory Academic Programs run by Australian tertiary institutions on behalf of DFAT
 - d) DFAT welcome and farewell events
 - e) Australia tertiary institution graduations
 - f) DFAT State Office events – held with Australia recipients.
- (6) Six thousand Australia Awards scholars and fellows in-country and several thousand alumni overseas.
- (7&8) Yes, each item contains the Australia Awards logo or some element of the Australia Awards brand. Such as:

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Australia Awards

★ Australia Awards

Item	Photo	Item	Photo
Water bottle		Lapel Pin	
USB		Note book	
Satchels		Polo Shirts	
Scarves		Luggage tags	
Ties		Name tags	

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Question No 78

Program: DFAT

Topic: Austender Contracts

Question in Writing

Senator Bilyk

Question

In relation to contract CN3308792, titled on Austender “Recreation and playground and swimming and spa equipment and supplies”, awarded to Omnitech Playgrounds for a value of \$103,950:

- 1. What Departmental building or residence did this service relate to?*
- 2. Who occupies this building or residence?*
- 3. What services were provided under this contract?*
- 4. Which section of the Department approved these works?*
- 5. Please provide any photos, sketches and/or plans held by the Department relating to this contract*

Answer

1. The Australian Embassy Compound in Hanoi. The compound consists of the Chancery building and an apartment complex with 12 apartments.
2. 12 Australian Embassy employees and their families. The facilities are also used for official functions and community events.
3. Supply and installation of playground equipment that meets the applicable Australian Standards (AS 4685 & AS/NZS 4486). This procurement was undertaken to replace old playground equipment that was close to twenty years old and ensures that the department meets its legislative responsibilities under the Work Health and Safety Act 2011.
4. Financial Management Branch, in consultation with the Overseas Property Office, approved this expenditure as part of the departments capital funding process. With guidance provided by Contracting and Value for Money Branch, Hanoi Post conducted a tender process to select the supplier.
5. Initial plan and photos attached.





Rear View

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Question No 79

Program: DFAT

Topic: Board Vacancies

Question in Writing

Senator Bilyk

Question

Please provide a list of all statutory, board and legislated office vacancies and other significant appointments vacancies within the portfolio, including length of time vacant and current acting arrangements.

Answer

Board	Vacancies	Since	Acting Arrangements ?
Australia-ASEAN Council	2	14/1/2016 and 8/2/2016	None.
Australia-China Council	3	7/8/2015 and 31/12/2016 (two positions)	None.
Commission for International Agricultural Research	1	28/10/2015	None.
Council on Australia Latin America Relations	1	30/6/2015	None.
Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC)	1	29/2/2016	None.
Trade and Investment Policy Advisory Council (TIPAC)	2	23/3/2016; and 30/11/2015	None.
Australian National Commission for UNESCO	1	4/3/2016	None.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 80

Program: DFAT

Topic: Polio and critical sanitation programs

Question in Writing

Senator Xenophon

Question

- 1. Can DFAT confirm that at least \$15M will be allocated to Global Polio Eradication Initiative for in the 2015-16 budget, as well as in the 2016-17 budget, as per correspondence between WHO and DFAT?***
- 2. Can DFAT confirm that there will be no further cuts to Global Polio Eradication Initiative in light of Prime Minister's Turnbull expression of support for polio eradication at CHOGM 2015 in Malta?***
- 3. Of the \$36M allocated to the World Bank to support strengthening routine immunisations in southeast Asia, will this also be able to be used to support the introduction of inactivated polio vaccine in the region, as part of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative budget?***
- 4. Can DFAT detail how much funding to critical sanitation programs such as those run by the Water Supply & Sanitation Collaborative Council has been cut in the forward estimates?***
- 5. What is the impact these cuts will have for these organisations?***

Answer

1. Yes. \$15 million has been provided to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) for 2015-16, and another \$15 million has been committed and is planned for expenditure for the next financial year 2016-17.
2. The current funding allocations are \$15 million in 2015-16 (already provided), \$15 million in 2016-17, \$3 million in 2017-18 and \$3 million in 2018-19, totaling \$36 million over four years.
3. The \$36 million allocated to the World Bank will be used to assist countries in Asia-Pacific to strengthen and sustainably finance their routine immunisation systems, which will enable them to successfully introduce Inactivated Poliovirus Vaccine (IPV). This funding does not form part of the GPEI budget and will be provided through the World Bank, not GPEI. DFAT expects the World Bank and GPEI to work collaboratively to progress introduction of IPV in relevant countries.

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4. A decision on funding to critical sanitation programs such as those run by the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council will be made in the context of future budgets. Refer to QON 173 regarding bilateral programs.
5. No impact.

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Question No 81

Program: DFAT

Topic: Taxi costs

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.*
- 2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?*
- 3. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?*

Answer

1. Information on DFAT expenditure on taxis is not separately recorded. It would entail significant diversion of resources to collate this expenditure and to break it down into business groups. In these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.
2. Taxis are utilised by officers within Australia and overseas in undertaking official business and executing operational requirements.
3. Refer to 1.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 82

Program: DFAT

Topic: Hospitality and entertainment

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What has been the Department/Agency's hospitality spend including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 3. What has been the Department/Agency's entertainment spend? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 5. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 6. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 7. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 8. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 9. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?*

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Answer

1. For the period 14 September 2015 to 29 February 2016, the total amount spent by the department on hospitality and entertainment was approximately \$3.6m. The department does not keep separate records for hospitality and entertainment and only the total cost is available. The bulk of this was expenditure by Heads of Mission and other DFAT officers at overseas posts. All entertainment expenditure at overseas posts is fully acquitted.

Details of specific hospitality and entertainment events are maintained on individual files across the department's domestic and overseas network. To provide these details would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.

2. Refer to response to Question 1.

3. Refer to response to Question 1.

4. Refer to response to Question 1.

5. Approximately \$2.8 million. Details of planned/estimated expenditure from 1 March 2016 to 30 June 2016 are not available.

6. Nil.

7. Approximately \$1.8 million from 1 March 2016 to 30 June 2016. Details of planned/estimated expenditure are not available.

8. Refer to response to Question 5.

9. No.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 83

Program: DFAT

Topic: Executive coaching

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

Please provide the following information in relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency:

- 1. Total spending on these services*
- 2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification*
- 3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
- 4. The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide:*
 - A. The name and nature of the service purchased*
 - B. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based*
 - C. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification*
 - D. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - E. The total amount spent on the service*
 - F. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)*
- 5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:*
 - A. The location used*
 - B. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - C. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - D. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location*
- 6. In relation to education/executive coaching and/or other leadership training services paid for by the department what agreements are made with employees in regards to continuing employment after training has been completed?*

For graduate or post graduate study, please breakdown each approved study leave by staffing allocation and degree or program title.

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Answer

1. From 14 September 2015 to 31 March 2016, the department spent \$791,357 on leadership training from the learning and development budget. No funds were spent on executive coaching from the learning and development budget.
2. Leadership training is available to staff at all levels.
3. 262 employees engaged in leadership training during this period. No study leave was granted to these employees for training.
4.
 - a. Australian Graduate School of Management; Australian Institute of Management; Australian Public Service Commission; Australian and New Zealand School of Government; Harvard Kennedy School; Jeff Whalan Learning Group; Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy; Melbourne Business School; Queensland University of Technology; Saïd Business School; UC Berkley; Yellow Edge Pty Ltd.
 - b. Group based.
 - c. 262 employees (SES, EL and APS levels).
 - d. 5350 hours. SES: 562.5 hours; EL2: 1565 hours; APS6/EL1: 2397.5 hours; APS4/5: 825 hours.
 - e. \$791,357.
 - f. Leadership training services are provided as a package fee.
5.
 - a. Australian Graduate School of Management; Australian Institute of Management; Australian Public Service Commission; Australian and New Zealand School of Government; Harvard Kennedy School; Jeff Whalan Learning Group; Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy; Melbourne Business School; Queensland University of Technology; Saïd Business School; UC Berkley; Yellow Edge Pty Ltd.
 - b. 262 employees (SES, EL and APS levels).
 - c. 5350 hours. SES: 562.5 hours; EL2: 1565 hours; APS6/EL1: 2397.5 hours; APS4/5: 825 hours.
 - d. Location use costs are included in course fees.
6. The terms of employment of a DFAT officer do not relate to the training they complete.
7. Master of Public Administration (2 x APS6); Master of Public Policy (4 x APS6; 1 x APS5); Master of Business Administration (1 x EL2; 1 x EL1); Master of Management (1 x EL1); Graduate Certificate in Public Sector Management (1 x EL1); Advanced Diploma of Management (1 x EL1). All officers have been granted study leave to complete their post graduate study.

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Question No 84

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff profile

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has there been any change to the staffing profile of the department/agency?

Provide a list of changes to staffing numbers, broken down by classification level, division, home base location (including town/city and state)

Answer

1. The staffing profile has **increased by 46 staff** between 14 September 2015 and 31 January 2016.

- An increase of **29 APS** staff.
- An increase of **17 locally engaged** staff.

	14 September 2015	31 January 2016
Canberra	2,560	2,585
State / Territory Offices	322	325
Overseas	849	850
Total APS staff	3,731	3,760
Locally Engaged Staff	2,358	2,375
Total Workforce	6,089	6,135

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2. The DFAT staffing profile is provided in the tables below.

i. Staff headcount by Classification

	14 September 2015			31 January 2016		
	Total	% of Staff by level	% of <i>TOTAL workforce (APS and LES)</i>	Total	% of Staff by level	% of <i>TOTAL workforce (APS and LES)</i>
APS Level 2	7	0.2%	0.1%	7	0.2%	0.1%
APS Level 3	66	1.8%	1.1%	66	1.8%	1.1%
APS Level 4	115	3.1%	1.9%	132	3.5%	2.2%
APS Level 5	913	24.5%	15.0%	864	23.0%	14.1%
APS Level 6	553	14.8%	9.1%	609	16.2%	9.9%
Exec. Level 1	1173	31.4%	19.3%	1143	30.4%	18.6%
Exec. Level 2	540	14.5%	8.9%	572	15.2%	9.3%
Graduate	85	2.3%	1.4%	82	2.2%	1.3%
Medical Officers	8	0.2%	0.1%	8	0.2%	0.1%
SES Band 1	188	5.0%	3.1%	195	5.2%	3.2%
SES Band 2	67	1.8%	1.1%	65	1.7%	1.1%
SES Band 3	16	0.4%	0.3%	17	0.5%	0.3%
Total APS	3,731	100.0%	61.3%	3,760	100.0%	61.3%
Total Locally Engaged Staff	2,358		38.7%	2,375		38.7%
Total Workforce	6,089		100.0%	6,135		100.0%

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ii. Staff headcount by division

	14 September 2015	31 January 2016
Contracting & Aid Management Division	109	108
Americas Division	23	25
Australian Passport Office	418	422
Australian Safeguards & Non-Proliferation Office	16	17
Internal Audit Branch	18	17
Consular & Crisis Management Division	60	66
Corporate Management Branch	306	310
Development Policy Division	86	84
Europe Division	26	29
Executive Branch	47	42
Free Trade Agreement Division	49	53
Humanitarian, NGOs & Partnerships Division	80	81
Information Management & Technology Division	202	187
International Security Division	49	49
innovation Xchange	9	11
Legal Division	76	78
Middle East & Africa Division	42	37
Multilateral Development & Finance Division	44	50
Multilateral Policy Division	89	90
North Asia Division	36	29
New Colombo Plan Secretariat Branch	18	18
Office of Development Effectiveness	12	15
Overseas Property Office & Services	38	44
Overseas Post	816	812
Office of Trade Negotiations	81	72
Pacific Division	121	121
Parliamentary Offices	5	5
Public Diplomacy & Communications Division	92	88
Policy Planning Branch	11	15
Protocol Branch	19	19
South-East Asia Division	50	47
South-East Asia Mainland & Regional Division	44	48
State and Territory Offices	39	38
South & West Asia Division	65	60
Trade, Investment & Economic Diplomacy Division	87	101
Corporate Overheads	448	472
Total APS	3,731	3,760

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iii. Staff headcount by location

Location	14 September 2015			31 January 2016		
	APS	LES	Total DFAT	APS	LES	Total DFAT
Canberra	2,560	0	2,560	2,585	0	2,585
Queensland	55		55	55		55
Victoria	102		102	99		99
Western Australia	46		46	43		43
New South Wales	80		80	83		83
South Australia	20		20	19		19
Tasmania	12		12	17		17
Northern Territory	7		7	9		9
State & Territory Total¹	322	0	322	325	0	325
Americas	72	184	256	74	191	265
Asia						
<i>North Asia</i>	84	226	310	98	229	327
<i>South Asia</i>	76	219	295	74	226	300
<i>South East Asia</i>	212	687	899	207	704	911
Total Asia	372	1132	1,504	379	1159	1,538
Europe	96	301	397	93	289	382
Middle East and Africa	115	277	392	113	273	386
Multilateral ²	44	50	94	43	54	97
New Zealand and the South Pacific	150	414	564	148	409	557
Overseas Posts Total³	849	2,358	3,207	850	2,375	3,225
Total Staff Numbers	3,731	2,358	6,089	3,760	2,375	6,135

¹ State and Territory total includes Australian Passport Office staff in state locations.

² Posts in this category are Geneva UN, Geneva WTO, New York UN, Paris OECD and Vienna.

³ Overseas posts includes staff on language training, in transit to/from post, short term missions and short term assignments.

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Question No 85

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff profile

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred?
A. What was the reason for these reductions?*
- 2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.*
- 3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.*
- 4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.*
- 5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.*
- 6. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency? What classification were these staff?*
- 7. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from? What classification were these staff?*
- 8. What are the voluntary redundancy packages offered? Please detail for each staff level and position*
- 9. How do the packages differ from the default public service package?*
- 10. How is the department/agency funding the packages?*

Answer

1. There have been five voluntary redundancies during the period 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016. Voluntary redundancies are offered by the department when an employee is determined to be excess to requirements.
2. No.
3. From time to time the department will review the workforce to ensure that the employee skill set aligns to the requirements of the department.
4. See answer 3.
5. No.
6. Between 14 September 2015 and 31 January 2016, 76 ongoing staff left the department.

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Classification	No of Employees
APS Level 2	1
APS Level 3	2
APS level 4	6
APS Level 5	17
APS Level 6	16
Exec. Level 1	22
Exec. Level 2	9
Graduate	1
SES Band 1	1
SES Band 2	1
Total	76

7. Between 14 September 2015 and 31 January 2016, 20 non-ongoing staff left the department.

Classification	No of Employees
APS level 4	2
APS Level 5	7
APS Level 6	1
Exec. Level 1	1
Exec. Level 2	4
Medical Officer	2
SES Band 1	1
SES Band 2	1
SES Band 3	1
Total	20

8. Voluntary redundancy packages are provided in accordance with the Department's Enterprise Agreement:
- a. An employee who accepts an offer of voluntary redundancy, and whose employment is terminated under section 29 of the Public Service Act 1999 on the grounds that he or she is excess to the requirements of the department, is entitled to redundancy pay of an amount equal to two weeks' salary for each completed year of continuous service, plus a pro rata payment for completed months of service since the last completed year of service. The minimum sum payable will be four weeks' salary and the maximum will be 48 weeks' salary subject to any minimum amount the employee is entitled to

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under the National Employment Standards (NES). Redundancy pay will be calculated on a pro rata basis for any period where an employee has worked part-time hours during his or her period of service and where the employee has less than 24 years full-time service.

9. DFAT's provisions for voluntary redundancy as stated in the Department's Enterprise Agreement are consistent with standard redundancy provisions outlined by the APSC's bargaining policy.
10. Redundancies are funded from within the Department's operating budget.

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Question No 86

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff recruitment

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited? What classification are these staff?*
- 2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created? What classification are these staff?*

How many staff have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?.

Answer

- Between 14 September 2015 and 31 January 2016, 93 ongoing staff have been recruited to the department.

Classification	No of Employees
APS Level 3	1
APS level 4	14
APS Level 5	22
APS Level 6	22
Exec. Level 1	20
Exec. Level 2	11
SES Band 1	3
Total	93

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2. Between 14 September 2015 and 31 January 2016, 33 non-ongoing staff were employed by the department.

Classification	No of Employees
APS Level 3	1
APS level 4	10
APS Level 5	7
APS Level 6	1
Exec. Level 1	7
Exec. Level 2	1
Medical Officer	2
SES Band 1	2
SES Band 3	2
Total	33

3. The average length of non-ongoing employment arrangements that commenced between 14 September 2015 and 31 January 2016 is 228 days.

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Question No 87

Program: DFAT

Topic: Kitchen Appliances

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has the department/agency purchased, leased or rented any kitchen appliances over the value of \$1000?**
 - A. If yes, provide a list that includes the type of appliance, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of consumables and when the appliance was purchased?**
 - B. Why were the appliances purchased?**
 - C. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since the appliances were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?**
 - D. Where did the funding for the appliances come from?**
 - E. Who has access?**
 - F. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the appliances? How much was spent on maintenance, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?**
 - G. What are the other ongoing costs of the appliances?**

Answer

1.
 - A.
 - A) Fridge(s) - \$1,155 per unit – 2 units purchased – January 2016
 - B) Dishwasher - \$1,524.60 – 1 unit purchased – January 2016 – ongoing cost of dishwashing detergent
 - C) Fridge - \$1,215.64 – 1 unit purchased – October 2015
 - B.

Items A&B were purchased for a staff kitchen in a new tenancy.

Item C was purchased for a staff kitchen in a refurbished tenancy to cater for additional staff.
 - C.

Unknown.

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D.

Project or Capital funding in all instances.

E.

All staff who work in the respective offices.

F.

The Department's Domestic Property Section, through their outsourced Property Service Provider contract. Nothing has been spent on maintenance to date. Property operating costs.

G.

Use of electricity for the fridges

Use of electricity, water and dishwashing detergent for the dishwasher.

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Question No 88

Program: DFAT

Topic: Board Vacancies

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. how often has each board met, break down by board name;*
- 2. what travel expenses have been incurred;*
- 3. what has been the average attendance at board meetings;*
- 4. List each member's attendance at meetings;*
- 5. how does the board deal with conflict of interest;*
- 6. what conflicts of interest have been registered;*
- 7. what remuneration has been provided to board members;*
- 8. how does the board dismiss board members who do not meet attendance standards?*
- 9. Have any requests been made to ministers to dismiss board members?*
- 10. Please list board members who have attended less than 51% of meetings*
- 11. what have been the catering costs for the board meetings held during this period? Please break down the cost list.*

Answer

To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

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Question No 89

Program: DFAT

Topic: Corporate cars

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many cars are owned by each department/agency?
 - a) Where are the cars located?*
 - b) What are the cars used for?*
 - c) What is the cost of each car during the specified period?*
 - d) How far did each car travel during the specified period?**

- 2. How many cars are leased by each department/agency?
 - a) Where are the cars located?*
 - b) What are the cars used for?*
 - c) What is the cost of each car during the specified period?*
 - d) How far did each car travel during the specified period?**

Answer

1. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade owns 611 cars, which includes fleet vehicles overseas.

a) The vehicles owned by DFAT are dispersed across our posts overseas.

b) DFAT maintains vehicle fleets at its overseas posts to facilitate post operations and to meet the everyday official transport needs of the posts. Vehicles are provided to facilitate effective discharge of the mission's operational requirements.

c) Details and breakup of costs are maintained on individual files across DFAT's overseas network. To provide these details would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.

d) Details of car mileage are maintained on individual files across DFAT's overseas network. To provide these details would entail a significant diversion

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of resources and, in these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.

2. Eighty-one vehicles are leased by the department as part of the executive vehicle scheme. A further nineteen vehicles are leased by DFAT.

a) The eighty-one vehicles leased as part of the executive vehicle scheme are located primarily in Canberra. Of the nineteen leased vehicles, all vehicles are located in Canberra.

b) The vehicles are used for logistics, diplomatic and consular matters and Department business matters.

c) Details and breakup of costs are maintained on individual files across DFAT's network. To provide these details would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.

d) Details of car mileage are maintained on individual files across DFAT's network. To provide these details would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.

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Question No 90

Program: DFAT

Topic: Payment of accounts

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others?*
- 2. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days?*
- 3. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days?*
- 4. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days?*
- 5. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days? f) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days?*
- 6. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since Estimates, 2014?*
- 7. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?*

Answer

1. DFAT has paid approximately 98.23 per cent of its accounts within 30 days since 14 September 2015 to 28 February 2016.
- 2-5. A breakdown of payment timeframes is provided below:

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	Paid within 30 days	Paid within 31 to 60 days	Paid within 61 to 90 days	Paid within 91 to 120 days	Paid greater than 121 days
invoices by number	145,186	1,963	342	142	173
% of invoices by number	98.22	1.33	0.23	0.10	0.12

6. Interest paid on late payments for 2014-15 was reported in House of Representatives Question No 888 in August 2015. Since 1 July 2015, \$2,845.09 has been identified for interest payments relating to overdue payments.

7. The interest charge is in accordance with the Resource Management Guide No. 417 Supplier Pay on-Time or Pay Interest Policy. The penalty interest rate was determined at the General Interest Charge (GIC) daily rate for the applicable quarter as detailed on the Australian Taxation Office website.

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Question No 91

Program: DFAT

Topic: Hire cars

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars during the specified period? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.*
- 2. What are the reasons for hire car costs?*
- 3. How much did the department spend on hire cars during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?*

Answer

1. Information on DFAT expenditure on hire cars is not separately recorded. It would entail significant diversion of resources to collate this expenditure and to break it down into business groups. In these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.
2. Hire cars are utilised by officers within Australia and overseas in undertaking official business and executing operational requirements.
3. The department has not spent any money on hire cars for either the Ministers or their respective offices.

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Question No 92

Program: DFAT

Topic: Credit cards

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card.*
- 2. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused?*
- 3. Have there been any changes to how corporate credit card use is monitored?*
- 4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so:*
- 5. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.*
- 6. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?*
- 7. How many credit cards available to the Minister or their office? If so, please list by classification. Have there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? Has any action been taken against the Minister or their office for credit card misuse? If so, list each occurrence, including the cost of the misuse.*

Answer

1. As of 17 March 2016, 1412 officers have an Australian Visa Corporate Credit Card. Information on the employment classification of corporate credit card holders would entail a significant diversion of resources. In these circumstances we do not consider the additional work can be justified.
2. No.
3. No.
4. Yes
5. There was one identified case of an APS 5 officer who accidentally used their corporate credit card for private use. The matter was investigated and it was confirmed as accidental use. Recovery action is underway and the officer's card usage is monitored.
6. No.

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7. The department has not issued Credit Cards to the Ministers or their office.

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Question No 93

Program: DFAT

Topic: Functions

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister . Include:*
 - 1. The guest list of each function*
 - 2. The party or individual who initiated the request for the function*
 - 3. The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function*
 - 4. A list of drinks consumed at the function*
- 2. Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office. Breakdown by item, quantity and cost.*

Answer

Hospitality and attending and hosting functions form an essential part of overseas visits by Ministers. These services are managed by all areas across the Department including Australian Government Posts. To provide further details would entail a significant and unreasonable diversion of resources.

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Question No 94

Program: DFAT

Topic: Red Tape Review

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please detail changes to structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets?***
 - a. What is the progress of that red tape reduction target***
- 2. How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level?***
- 3. How have they been recruited?***
- 4. What process was used for their appointment?***
- 5. What is the total cost of this unit?***
- 6. What is the estimated total salary cost of the officers assigned to the unit.***
- 7. Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents?***
- 8. Please list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body.***
- 9. What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department?***

Answer

- 1) No changes have been made to the department's Regulatory Reform Unit (formerly the Deregulation Unit) since 14 September 2015.
- a) The department is making progress towards the government's red tape reduction target.
- 2) No changes have made to the department's Regulatory Reform Unit since 14 September 2015.
- 3) No additional recruitment was undertaken.
- 4) Officers were drawn from existing resources within the department's Executive Branch, which is responsible for portfolio coordination.
- 5) Funded from within existing resources.
- 6) Funded from within existing resources.
- 7) Yes.
- 8) All staff have appropriate security clearances.
- 9) Regulatory Reform Unit.

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Question No 95

Program: DFAT

Topic: Occupancy

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

1. How much land (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease?

2. Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department, or agency or authority or Government Corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore land upon which Australian Defence force bases are located. Non-Defence Force base land is to be included)

3. List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above.

a. What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)?

b. What is the value of the items identified in (3)?

c. What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)?

4. How many buildings (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease?

5. Please list by each building owned, its name, the size of the building in terms of square metres, the location of that of that building and the latest valuation of that building, where that building is owned by the Department, or agency or authority or Government corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore buildings that are situated on Australian Defence force bases. Non Defence Force base buildings are to be included).

6. In regards to any building identified in Q4, please also detail, the occupancy rate as expressed as a percentage of the building size. If occupancy is identified as less than 100%, for what is the remaining space used?

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Answer

1. 800m2.
2. Thursday Island; 800m2; \$400,000.
3. Torres Strait Treaty Liaison Officer official residence.
 - a. 1 family: TSTLO and family. The TSTLO is a DFAT officer.
 - b. \$350,000
 - c. Locally-sourced maintenance and service contracts. Over-arching maintenance contract through the Departments outsourced property services provider.
4. Twenty properties which includes 19 leased (refer Question 146) and 1 owned (see Answer 5 below).
5. The Department owns one building:
Thursday Island residence
300m2
33 Chester St, Thursday Island
\$350,000
6. All leases are occupied 100%

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Question No 96

Program: DFAT

Topic: Temporary Staff

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff?*
- 2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed?*
- 3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed?*
- 4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?*
- 5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?*

Answer

1. \$19,324,134.
2. Commercial arrangements to deliver services to the department, in line with commonwealth procurement guidelines, are the responsibility of line management areas of the department. The department does not maintain a central register of the number of contractors, however the costs associated with commercial arrangements for services are reported in line with the department's financial framework.
3. See answer to Question 2.
4. \$20,501.
5. No.

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Question No 97

Program: DFAT

Topic: Printing

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please list all documents that have been printed at the expense of the Department/Agency where 500 or more copies have been produced? Please include the total number produced as well.*
 - A. How many of these printed documents were also published online?*
- 2. Has the Department/Agency used external printing services for any print jobs?*
 - A. If so, what companies were used?*
 - B. How were they selected?*
 - C. What was the total cost of this printing by item?*

Answer

1. Departmental printing is decentralised and is managed and budgeted individually across central office, overseas posts and state and territory offices according to their local requirements. Aggregating details of document printing services and their online publication across all DFAT offices and their individual websites would represent an unreasonable diversion of resources.
2. Yes
 - A. Providing details of printing companies used by all DFAT offices would represent an unreasonable diversion of resources.
 - B. DFAT has used the DHS Communication Products Management Panel (SON2658382) to select companies in some cases. Other printing service providers are selected from local suppliers based on value for money and the application of Commonwealth Procurement Rules.
 - C. Aggregating printing costs by item would represent an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

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Question No 98

Program: DFAT

Topic: Communications staff

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:*
- 2. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.*
- 3. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location*
- 4. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location*
- 5. How many are graphic designers?*
- 6. How many are media managers?*
- 7. How many organise events?*
- 8. Have these arrangements changed since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015? If yes, please detail.*

Answer

a. The table below details the number of ongoing staff, as at 1 March 2016, by classification that spend the majority of their time on the communications, public relations, and media functions. These staff support activities such as website management, public outreach and advocacy, event management and media liaison.

Classification	Ongoing
APS1	0
APS2	0
APS3	0
APS4	0
APS5	8
APS6	11
EL1	9
EL2	5

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- b. The department does not have any non-ongoing staff in the public relations, communications, and media functions.
- c. The department currently has four contractors undertaking a web development role.
- d. The department has one graphic designer.
- e. As of 1 March 2016 there were five media liaison officers.
- f. Nil
- g. Minor fluctuations have occurred due to staff movements.

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Question No 99

Program: DFAT

Topic: Reviews

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many new reviews (defined as review, inter-departmental group, inquiry, internal review or similar activity) have been commenced?**

Please list them including:

- A. the date they were ordered**
 - B. the date they commenced**
 - C. the minister responsible**
 - D. the department responsible**
 - E. the nature of the review**
 - F. their terms of reference**
 - G. the scope of the review**
 - H. Who is conducting the review**
 - I. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review**
 - J. the expected report date**
 - K. the budgeted, projected or expected costs**
 - L. If the report will be tabled in parliament or made public**
- 2. For any review commenced or ordered, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review?**
- A. If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names**
 - B. If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent**
 - C. If yes, for each is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each cost item**
 - D. If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement**
 - E. If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.**
 - F. If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them**
 - G. If yes, for each, who selected them**
 - H. If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them,**
 - If yes, please detail what involvement it was**
 - If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list**

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- *If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur*
 - *If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department*
 - *If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur*
- 3. Which reviews are on-going?**
- A. Please list them.**
 - B. What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?**
- 4. Have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.**
- 5. Which reviews have concluded? Please list them.**
- 6. How many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided.**
- 7. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?**
- 8. What reviews are planned?**
- A. When will each planned review be commenced?**
 - B. When will each of these reviews be concluded?**
 - C. When will government respond to each review?**
 - D. Will the government release each review?**
 - *If so, when? If not, why not?*

Answer

1. Nil.
2. Nil.
3. Nil.
4. Nil.
5. Nil.
6. Nil.
7. Nil.
8. Nil.

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Question No 100

Program: DFAT

Topic: Commissioned reports

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many reports (including paid external advice) have been commissioned by the Minister, department or agency?
A. Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.*
- 2. How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental or external staff were involved in each report and at what level?*
- 3. What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?*

Answer

1. Nil.
2. Nil.
3. Nil.

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Question No 101

Program: DFAT

Topic: Board Appointments

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please detail any board appointments made to date.*
- 2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?*
- 3. Has the department instigated or changed its gender ratio target and/or any other policy intended to increase the participation rate of women on boards? If yes, please specify what the target and policy is for each board.*

Please specify when these gender ratio or participation policies were changed.

Answer

1. Board Appointments Since 14 September, 2015:

Board	Name
Australia-Indonesia Institute	Lydia Santoso and Andrew Ross
Australia-Japan Foundation	Debra Hazelton
Australia-Korea Foundation	Naomi Mathers
Council for Australian-Arab Relations	Yassmin Abdel-Magied
Council for Australian-Arab Relations	Houssam Abiad
Council for Australian-Arab Relations	Sue Ismiel
Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC)	Justin Brown
Trade and Investment Policy Advisory Council (TIPAC)	Christine Holgate
Tourism Australia Board	Kate Vale Francis Wong Hayley Bailie
New Colombo Plan Reference Group	Marlene Kanga

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2. Gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio:

Name	Gender Balance Women:Men (% women)
ACIAR Policy Advisory Council	2:10 (17%)
Australia-ASEAN Council	3:3 (50%)
Australia-China Council	2:2 (50%)
Australia-India Council	2:4 (33%)
Australia-Indonesia Institute	3:6 (33%)
Australia-Japan Foundation	3:4 (43%)
Australia-Korea Foundation	3:3 (50%)
Australian National Commission for UNESCO	5:4 (56%)
Commission for International Agricultural Research	2:4 (33%)
Council for Australian-Arab Relations	3:4 (43%)
Council on Australia Latin America Relations	4:3 (57%)
Editorial Advisory Board	4:3 (57%)
Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC)	3:6 (33%)
Independent Evaluation Committee	1:2 (33%)
innovationXchange International Reference Group	5:7 (42%)
New Colombo Plan Reference Group	6:7 (46%)
Pacific Women Shaping Pacific Development Advisory Board	10:2 (83%)
Tourism Australia Board	3:6 (33%)
Trade and Investment Policy Advisory Council (TIPAC)	5:13 (38%)
Whole of portfolio:	40.7%

3. DFAT has a *Board Target Gender Balance Plan* to help reach the Government's target of 40 per cent women on portfolio boards. The plan recommends consultation with the Principal Gender Specialist and Director Gender Equality Section, and referring to Boardlinks. Boardlinks supports women seeking appointments to Australian government boards.

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Question No 102

Program: DFAT

Topic: Stationery

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much has been spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio to date?
 - 1. Detail the items provided to the minister's office.*
 - 2. Please specify how many reams of paper have been supplied to the Minister's office.**

Office	Stationery expenditure	Reams of Paper
Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs	\$4747.03	70
Office of the Minister for Trade and Investment (14 Sept 2015 to 17 Feb 2016)	\$2282.61	95
Office of the Minister for Trade and Investment (from 18 Feb 2016)	\$338.67	0
Office of the Minister for International Development and the Pacific (14 Sept 2015 to 17 Feb 2016)	\$924.23	5
Office of the Minister for International Development and the Pacific (from 18 Feb 2016)	\$1308.38	80
Office of the Minister for Tourism and International Education and Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment	\$259.93	0
Total	\$9860.85	250

Office stationery is purchased and provided to Ministerial offices as required. To provide further details would entail a significant and unreasonable diversion of resources.

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- 2. How much has been spent on departmental stationary requirements to date.**

A total of \$1,136,061.07 was spent on departmental stationery requirements.

- 3. Has any customised stationery been requested or provided to the Minister or Ministerial Staff? If yes, please include a photo/scan, detail the type of stationery, date it was requested, date it was provided and the cost.**

No.

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Question No 103

Program: DFAT

Topic: Electronic equipment to Ministerial offices

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Other than phones, ipads or computers – please list the electronic equipment provided to the Minister's office.

- 1. List the items**
- 2. List the items location or normal location**
- 3. List if the item is in the possession of the office or an individual staff member of minister, if with an individual list their employment classification level**
- 4. List the total cost of the items**
- 5. List an itemised cost breakdown of these items**
- 6. List the date they were provided to the office**

Note if the items were requested by the office or proactively provided by the department

Answer

Minister for Foreign Affairs– Nil.

Minister for Trade and Investment– Nil.

Minister for International Development and the Pacific– Nil.

Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment– Nil.

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Question No 104

Program: DFAT

Topic: Media subscriptions

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - A. Please provide a list of channels and the reason for each channel.*
 - B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
 - C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?*
 - D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?**
- 2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - A. Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.*
 - B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
 - C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?*
 - D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?**
- 3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - A. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.*
 - B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
 - C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?*
 - D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?**
- 4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
 - A. Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.*
 - B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?*
 - C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?*
 - D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?**

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Answer

1. TV subscriptions are decentralised and are managed and budgeted across 95 posts overseas and by seven state and territory offices, according to their varying requirements. Aggregating TV subscriptions and their costs across all DFAT offices, both overseas and in Australia, would represent an unreasonable diversion of resources.

a. The Department subscribes to Foxtel and Parliamentary channels for its Canberra offices.

The Foxtel subscription provides access to the following channels to enable monitoring of world events and news updates:

- BBC World News
- CNBC
- CNN
- Sky Business Channel
- Sky News
- Sky Weather Channel

The Parliamentary channel subscription is used to monitor parliamentary proceedings.

b. The cost of the Foxtel package is \$5,142.71 per month (GST exclusive). The cost of the Parliamentary channel subscription is \$14,030.02 (GST exclusive) per annum.

C & D. The Department paid \$267.25 (GST exclusive) during the period 15 September 2015 to 11 February 2016 for basic Foxtel subscriptions in respect of the Office of the Minister for Trade and Investment.

2&3.

a & b. Newspaper and magazine subscriptions are decentralised and managed and budgeted by individual work units in Canberra, across 95 posts overseas and by seven state and territory offices, according to their varying requirements. Aggregating subscriptions and their costs across all DFAT offices, both overseas and in Australia, would represent an unreasonable diversion of resources.

c. Given the relevance of their coverage to the Foreign Affairs portfolio, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade has provided the following newspapers and magazines;

Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Ms Bishop)	Office of the Minister for Trade and Investment (Mr Robb)	Office of the Minister for International Development and the Pacific (Mr Ciobo)
The Australian	The Age	The Australian

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The Australian Financial Review	The Australian	The Australian Financial Review
The Daily Telegraph	The Australian Financial Review	The Economist
The Economist	The Daily Telegraph	MediaPortal
The Sydney Morning Herald	The Economist	NewsPlus
The West Australian	The Herald Sun	The Sydney Morning Herald
	Inside Washington	
	The New York Times	
	The Sydney Morning Herald	
	The Wall Street Journal	
	The Washington Post	

d. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade paid \$12,380.06 ex GST from 15 September 2015 to 11 February 2016 for newspaper and magazine subscriptions for the Offices of the Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Minister for Trade and Investment, the Minister for International Development and the Pacific, and the Minister for Tourism and International Education and Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment.

4.

a & b. Purchases of publications are decentralised and managed and budgeted by individual work units in Canberra, across 95 posts overseas and by seven state and territory offices, according to their varying requirements.

Aggregating purchases and their costs across all DFAT offices, both overseas and in Australia, would represent an unreasonable diversion of resources.

c & d. Nil.

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Question No 105

Program: DFAT

Topic: Meetings

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.*
- 3. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.*

For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer

1. Information on the purpose and cost of all meetings and events held across the department's network is not centrally recorded. It would entail significant diversion of resources to collate this information. In the circumstances, the additional work required to answer this question cannot be justified.

For information on the department's expenditure on hospitality and catering, see answer to Question on Notice No 82.

2. See answer to Question 1.
3. See answer to Question 1.

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Question No 106

Program: DFAT

Topic: Media training

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information:*
 - A. Total spending on these services*
 - B. An itemised cost breakdown of these services*
 - C. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification*
 - D. The number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification*
 - E. The names of all service providers engaged*
 - F. The location that this training was provided*
- 2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1), please provide:*
 - A. The name and nature of the service purchased*
 - B. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based*
 - C. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - D. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - E. The total amount spent on the service*
 - F. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)*
- 3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:*
 - a) The location used*
 - b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion*
 - c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)*
 - d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location*

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Answer

1.

a. We have run four (4) SES Media Skills training sessions since 14 September 2015. These courses are part of officers pre-posting course requirements. These skills allow them to pursue media opportunities in their host country and managing potentially media issues. Total of \$15,400.00 (ex GST) spent on these sessions.

b. Itemised cost breakdown

- Consultant Fee – \$12,000 (ex GST)
- Evaluation report fee – \$800 (ex GST)
- Venue Hire & Catering - \$2600 (ex GST)
- Total of \$15,400 (ex GST)

c&d. 16 staff have attended SES Media Skills training sessions

- October 2015 Session – 2 officers (1 SES BD1, 1 EL2)
- November 2015 session – 6 officers (1 EL1, 3 EL2 and 2 SES BD1)
- December 2015 session - 4 officers (3 SES BD1, 1 EL1)
- February 2016 session – 4 officers (1 SES BD1, 3 EL2)

e. Laurie Wilson and Associates Pty Ltd. (ABN: 51 119 979 028) has been engaged to facilitate these sessions.

f. SES Media Skills training sessions are held at the National Press Club, Barton ACT 0026

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a. SES Media Skills training - The delivery of the SES Media Skills for newly appointed Head of Mission or Head of Posts. These courses are part of officers pre-posting course requirements and are used at post when necessary to deal with media at host countries.

b. SES Media Skills is group based training, which contains one on one coaching with participants during the session.

c. 16 staff have attended SES Media Skills training sessions

- October 2015 Session – 2 officers (1 SES BD1, 1 EL2)
- November 2015 session – 6 officers (1 EL1, 3 EL2 and 2 SES BD1)
- December 2015 session - 4 officers (3 SES BD1, 1 EL1)
- February 2016 session – 4 officers (1 SES BD1, 3 EL2)

d. 120 hours between 16 officers (based on 7.5 hr per course)

e. A total of \$15,400.00 (ex GST) has been spent on these sessions.

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f. The description of fees charged are as follows.

- Consultant Fee – \$12,000 (ex GST)
- Evaluation report fee – \$800 (ex GST)

3.

a. Provided above

b. Provided above

c. Provided above

d. As noted above

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Question No 107

Program: DFAT

Topic: Consulting Services

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many consultancies have been undertaken? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.*
- 2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.*
- 3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
A. List each, including name, cost and purpose*

If so, why?

Answer

1. Details of contracts valued at or above \$10,000, including consultancies, are available on AusTender. This includes the cost, subject matter, procurement method and supplier details of the contract. Details of the consultancy arrangements entered into by the department each financial year are also published in the department's annual report.
2. Details of planned open approaches to market (including consultancies), including subject matter, estimated date of approach to market, and proposed method of procurement are published in DFAT's Annual Procurement Plan on AusTender. The cost of future procurements and the name(s) of successful bidder(s) are not known until a procurement process has been completed. For agreements at or above \$10,000 these details are published on AusTender after a contract is awarded.
3. All contracts valued at or above \$10,000, including consultancies, are published on AusTender and include the method of procurement.

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Question No 108

Program: DFAT

Topic: Electronic equipment to Ministerial offices

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone has been provided and the costs?**
 - A. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification**
- 2. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency? If yes provide a list of:**
- 3. What is provided?**
- 4. The purchase cost.**
- 5. The ongoing cost.**
- 6. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc).**

A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

Answer

1. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) provides mobile phones to portfolio ministers and their offices, namely:

- The Minister for Foreign Affairs;
- The Minister for Trade and Investment;
- The Minister for International Development and the Pacific; and
- The Minister for Tourism and International Education and Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment.

Currently the model of mobile phone that is supplied is the iPhone 6. The full cost of supplying each device is: \$1224 ex GST.

1.A The number and total cost of iPhones provided to ministerial offices since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, is detailed in the table below.

Ministerial Office	No. and Cost of iPhones
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Minister for Foreign Affairs	0
Minister for Trade and Investment	13
Minister for International Development and the Pacific	8
Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment	10
Total Number	31
Unit Cost of iPhones	\$1,224
Total Cost of iPhones	\$37,944

Ongoing costs vary depending on individual use patterns. Documenting costs to individual officers and their classification would represent an unreasonable diversion of resources.

2. Yes. Equipment provided to ministerial offices since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, is detailed in the table below. It is not possible to provide a detailed list of items supplied to individual staff by classification levels. This would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

Office	Laptop	Modem	RSA Token	iPad with Cover
Minister for Foreign Affairs	0	0	0	0
Minister for Trade and Investment	8	8	8	7
Min for International Development and the Pacific	4	4	0	5
Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment	1	1	2	8
Total Assets	13	13	10	20
Unit Cost of Asset	\$2,152	\$138	\$65	\$1,108
Total Cost of Assets	\$27,976	\$1,794	\$650	\$22,160

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Question No 109

Program: DFAT

Topic: Electronic equipment for Department staff

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency to departmental staff? If yes provide a list of:***
- 2. What has been provided?***
- 3. The purchase cost.***
- 4. The ongoing cost.***
- 5. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc).***

A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

Answer

1. Yes, DFAT provides electronic equipment to its departmental staff.
2. The baseline ICT service package provided to DFAT staff consists of a desktop computer, 24-inch monitor and desk phone. This is a standard offering to all staff and is not determined by staff classification level. The provision of additional equipment such as mobile phones, iPads and laptops is determined by business need, typically related to specific job functions.
3. The purchase cost of electronic equipment varies depending on model availability, order volumes and competitiveness of vendor quotes at the time of placing orders. Recent prices are provided in the table below (column 2).
4. See Table, column 3.
5. See Table, column 4.

Eligibility criteria applied to staff requests for departmental electronic equipment are summarised in column 5. It is not possible to provide a more detailed breakdown of what staff, and what staff classification levels, receive each item. This would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

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Electronic equipment provided to departmental staff

Question 2 Device	Question 3 Hardware Cost	Question 4 Ongoing Cost	Question 5 Accessories	Staff eligibility criteria
iPad	From \$449 to \$795	None. Usage costs only if Data SIM installed.	iPad covers are issued with the iPad.	SES and above eligible. Staff at other levels require business case.
iPhone 6	\$1,224	Usage costs only.	Cases and screen protectors are provided.	SES and above eligible.
iPhone 5s	\$598	Usage costs only.	Cases and screen protectors are provided.	Staff below SES level require business case.
BlackBerry (Z30)	\$649	Usage costs only.	No accessories provided.	SES and above eligible. Staff below SES level require business case.
Satellite Phones	\$1,194	Usage costs only.	No accessories provided.	Supplied to post depending on post circumstances.
Laptop – Toshiba Portege Z30-A	\$1,350	None	Accessories will be provided on request.	All staff with an approved business case.
Thumb drives	\$5	None	No accessories provided.	Provided on as needed basis.

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Question No 110

Program: DFAT

Topic: PCs for Ministerial offices

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used**
- 2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location**

Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs

Answer

1. Computers are provided to 51 ministerial office staff employed under the Members of Parliament (Staff) Act and to four Departmental Liaison Officers employed by DFAT. Staff may use the computers in multiple locations: Parliament House, Commonwealth Parliamentary Offices and electorate offices. Currently DFAT supplies computers to ministerial offices located in Canberra, Western Australia, Queensland and Tasmania.

The table below details the number of classified and unclassified desktop systems provided to Ministers' offices.

Asset	Minister for Foreign Affairs	Minister for Trade and Investment	Minister for International Development and the Pacific	Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment
Classified System	17	14	8	11
Unclassified System	19	16	10	12

The hardware cost of an unclassified desktop computer is \$1,350 ex GST. The hardware cost of a classified desktop computer system is \$1,300.

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It is not possible to provide a more detailed breakdown of ICT costs and locations by staff and staff classification levels. This would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

2. DFAT provides ICT equipment to its departmental staff. The cost of an entry level desktop computer (equipment only) is \$1,350.

DFAT does not lease computers.

The table below details the number of computers by location. It is not possible to provide a more detailed breakdown of ICT costs and locations by staff and staff classification levels. This would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

Location	Desktop Computer Numbers
Canberra	2,905
State and Territory Offices	272
Passport Offices	180
Posts	5,348
Canberra Storage	94
Total	8,799

The operating system used on all desktop computers is Windows 7.

A contract under the whole-of-government Volume Sourcing Arrangement licenses the use of the Microsoft Windows 7 operating system. The ongoing licensing cost for Windows operating software is \$27.57 per user per annum (GST exempt). The current contract is for a term of three years from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2017.

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Question No 111

Program: DFAT

Topic: Travel policy and approval

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Is the minister or their office or their delegate required to approve all departmental and agency international travel?*
- 2. If so, under what policy?*
- 3. Provide a copy of that policy.*
- 4. When was this policy implemented?*
- 5. When is the minister notified, when is approval provided?*
- 6. Detail all travel (domestic and international) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).*
- 7. Detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.*
- 8. What date was the minister or their office notified of the travel?*
- 9. What date did the minister or their office approve the travel?*
- 10. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.*

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Answer

1. Yes. All travel is approved by the appropriate delegate.
- 2&3. All international travel is undertaken in accordance with Departmental policy.
4. The policy was implemented on 2 April 2015.
5. The Minister is notified as prescribed in the policy.
6. The department does not record travel data in a way that would readily allow answers to be provided to these questions. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.
7. From 14 September 2015 to 29 February 2016, the department has spent \$16.74 million on travel. This figure includes airfares, accommodation, meals and incidentals and other expenses:

	14 Sep 15 to 29 Feb 16
Airfares	\$ 11.57m
Accommodation	\$ 2.75m
Travel Allow.	\$ 2.10m
Other	\$ 0.32m
Total Expenditure	\$ 16.74m

The department does not record travel data in a way that would readily allow all travel to be separately captured to provide a breakdown by airfare type and the reason for travel. To provide such details in this format would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances, I do not consider the additional work can be justified.

8. The requirements are outlined in the answer 3.
9. The requirements are outlined in the answer 3.
10. The department's global responsibilities create a high demand for travel throughout the year, often at short notice. The department does not forecast travel plans or expenditure separately to general budget planning. To provide details of individual travel plans and reasons for travel would entail a significant diversion of resources.

Question No 112

Program: DFAT

Topic: Grants administration

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What guidelines are in place to administer grants?***
- 2. How are grants applied for?***
- 3. Are there any restrictions on who can apply for a grant? If yes, please detail.***
 - A. Can these restrictions be waved? If yes, please detail the process for waving them and list any grants where the restrictions were waved.***
- 4. What is the procedure for selecting who will be awarded a grant?***
- 5. Who is involved in this selection process?***
- 6. Does the minister or the minister's office play any role in awarding grants? If yes, please detail.***
 - A. Has the minister or the minister's office exercised or attempted to exercise any influence over the awarding of any grants? If yes, please detail.***
- 7. Provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc, one-off discretionary grants awarded to date. Provide the recipients, amount, intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those locations.***
- 8. Update the status of each grant that was approved prior to the specified period, but did not have financial contracts in place at that time. Provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those grants.***

Answer

DFAT grants are divided into *non-aid grants*, which are subject to the Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines (CGRGs), and *aid grants* which are exempt from the CGRGs.

1. Guidelines for non-aid grants are detailed in the attached table (Attachment 1).

Aid funded grants are governed by the DFAT Aid Grants Policy (Attachment 2).

2. Application conditions for non-aid grants are detailed in the attached table (Attachment 1).

For aid funded grants, each individual grant has specific application conditions. These details are provided in the grant guideline documents advertised through the DFAT website, the Smarty Grants website or other industry forums.

3. Eligibility requirements for non-aid grants are detailed in the attached table (Attachment 1).

For aid funded grants, each individual grant has specific eligibility requirements. These details are provided in the grant guideline documents advertised through the DFAT website, the Smarty Grants website or other industry forums.

- A. See Attachment 1 for details on non-aid grants.

For aid funded grants, each individual grant has specific eligibility requirements. These details are provided in the grant guideline documents advertised through the DFAT website, the Smarty Grants website or other industry forums.

4. Evaluation processes for non-aid grants are detailed in the attached table (Attachment 1).

For aid funded grants, each individual grant has a specific evaluation process based on the value, scope and the risk of the activity. These details are provided in the grant guideline documents advertised through the DFAT website, the Smarty Grants website or other industry forums.

5. The individuals/entities involved in the selection process for each non-aid grant are detailed in the attached table (Attachment 1). For aid funded grants DFAT forms evaluation committees specific to each individual grant round.

6. Ministers and their offices have announced grant awardees.

- a. No.

7. A list of all non-aid grants awarded since 14 September 2015 is available at: http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/grants-tenders-funding/grant-programs/Documents/dfat_grant_recipients_2015_16.XLSX. This includes the recipients, amount, purpose, grant funding location and (where applicable) postcode.

DFAT reports aid funded grants through the twice yearly Senate Order Contracts report (the Murray Motion report), the most recent of which is available at: <http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/corporate/Pages/contracts-for-the-period-1-july-2014-30-june-2015.aspx>

8. The two lists above include all grants awarded to date since 1 July 2015.

Attachments

- Attachment 1 Additional information on non-aid grants
- Attachment 2 DFAT Aid Grants Policy
- Attachment 3 Australian National Commission for UNESCO Grant Scheme 2015-16 Guidelines
- Attachment 4 International Climate Change Engagement 2015-2016 Application Guidelines

Additional information on non-aid grants

Project/ Program	1. What guidelines are in place to administer grants?	2. How are grants applied for?	3. Are there any restrictions on who can apply for a grant?	3. A. Can these restrictions be waved? If yes, please detail the process for waving them and list any grants where the restrictions were waved.	4. What is the procedure for selecting who will be awarded a grant?	5. Who is involved in this selection process?
Australia n Cultural Diplomac y Grants Program (ACDGP)	ACDGP Guidelines are available at: http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/public-diplomacy/acdgp/Pages/acdgp-guidelines.aspx	Application conditions available at link provided.	No.	N/A.	Evaluation process available at link provided.	ACDGP assessment committee member organisations are listed at the link provided.
Australia n National Commiss ion for UNESCO Grants Scheme	Guidelines under which UNESCO Grants Scheme grants have been awarded since 14 September 2015 attached (Attachment 3). These guidelines are currently under revision.	Refer to Attachment 3.	Refer to Attachment 3.	No.	Refer to Attachment 3.	Refer to Attachment 3.
Australia -India Council (AIC)	AIC Guidelines are available at: http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/foundations-councils-institutes/australia-india-council/grants/Pages/grants-guidelines.aspx#who	Application conditions available at link provided	No.	N/A.	Evaluation process available at link provided.	List of AIC Board Members available at: http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/foundations-councils-institutes/australia-india-council/governance/Pages/board-members.aspx
Australia - Indonesia Institute (AII)	AII Guidelines are available at: http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/foundations-councils-institutes/australia-indonesia-institute/grants/Pages/grant-program-guidelines.aspx#applications	Application conditions available at link provided.	No.	N/A.	Evaluation process available at link provided.	List of individuals/entities involved in selection process available at link provided.

Australia -Mexico Reciprocal Indigenous Arts Residency program 2016 – One-off grant	This one-off discretionary grant was in response to a request for a cooperative activity between DFAT (Australia) and Mexico (Embassy of Mexico in Australia) to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Australia-Mexico Diplomatic Relations.	A number of organisations were canvassed to identify who might be positioned to support the proposed activity that Mexico offered to co-fund and the grantee was selected on the basis of interest, availability and value for money.	No.	N/A.	Selection was made and approved between DFAT's Canada & Latin America Branch and Cultural Diplomacy Sections in consultation with the Embassy of Mexico in Australia.	
Council for Australia -Arab Relations (CAAR)	CAAR Guidelines are available at: http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/foundations-councils-institutes/caar/grants/Pages/grants.aspx	Application conditions available at link provided	No.	N/A.	Evaluation process available at link provided.	List of individuals/entities involved in selection process available at link provided.
Council on Australia Latin America Relations (COALAR)	COALAR Guidelines are available at: http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/foundations-councils-institutes/coalar/grants/Pages/guidelines-for-funding-applicants.aspx	Application conditions available at link provided	Eligibility requirements available at link provided.	Eligibility requirements have not been waived to date.	Evaluation process available at link provided.	List of individuals/entities involved in selection process available at link provided.
International Climate Change Engagement 2015-2016	Guidelines attached (Attachment 4).	Refer to Attachment 4.	No.	N/A.	Refer to Attachment 4.	Refer to Attachment 4.
Public Diplomacy grants - One-off and Ad Hoc	DFAT has awarded several one-off and ad hoc grants for activities that support cultural diplomacy, and aim to promote Australia's cultural exports and creative exchange. These grants align to DFAT's Public Diplomacy Strategy, available at:	Prospective recipients must submit a proposal to DFAT's Cultural and Science Diplomacy Section.	Yes. Applicants must be Australian citizens or Australian permanent residents and hold an ABN or provide DFAT with a completed ATO Statement by a Supplier form.	No.	Proposals are assessed for alignment with DFAT's cultural diplomacy aims, including contributing to advancing Australia's foreign and	A two-stage assessment process is undertaken within the Cultural and Science Diplomacy section, with Director level final approval. Where appropriate, Australian Embassies and High Commissions overseas, the Ministry for the Arts and the Australia Council for the Arts are consulted.

	<p>http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/public-diplomacy/Pages/public-diplomacy-strategy.aspx</p>				<p>trade policy priorities and enhance understanding of Australia, particularly in the four priority regions (Asia; South Pacific; America's and Western Europe; and the Middle East and Africa). Activities need to be of high-quality and promote Australia's economic, artistic, and cultural assets to an international audience, strengthen Australia's reputation as an innovative, creative nation and foster collaborative people-to-people links internationally.</p>	
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Aid Grant Policy

In accordance with DFAT's Secretary's Instructions, Agreement Managers must manage aid grants in accordance with this Aid Grant Policy. DFAT's Aid Grant Policy sets out the mandatory requirements for managing all aid grants in accordance with the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013 (PGPA Act) and the principles of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines (CGRGs).

What is an aid grant?

A grant is an arrangement for the provision of financial assistance by the Commonwealth:

- under which public money is paid to a recipient other than the Commonwealth;
- which is intended to assist the recipient achieve its goals;
- which is intended to help address one or more of the Australian Government's policy objectives; and
- under which the recipient may be required to act in accordance with specified terms and conditions.

Grant administration covers all processes involved in granting activities and includes: planning and design, selection and decision making; the making of a grant; the management of a grant agreement; the ongoing relationship with grant recipients; reporting; and review and evaluation.

Grants are widely used throughout the Commonwealth to achieve government policy objectives.

The provision of aid grants allows the DFAT to work in partnership with individuals and organisations to achieve its aid policy priorities.

Guidance on non-aid grants is available in the Finance Management Manual.

Commonwealth Grants Framework

The objective of grants administration is to promote proper use and management of public resources through collaborating with partners to achieve government policy

outcomes. Grants provided by Commonwealth Government entities are governed by a legislative and policy framework comprising:

- The Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013 (PGPA Act);
- The Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines (CGRGs) which set out the rules for Australian Government grants and articulate the Australian Government's requirements for officials performing duties in relation to grants.

Under Commonwealth legislation, grants are defined such that they explicitly exclude the provision of tax concessions, investments or loans, payments to state and local governments, and grants made by the Australian aid program. However, DFAT applies the key principles of the CGRGs to aid grants to ensure they are awarded and administered in accordance with best practice and legislative requirements.

The Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines

The CGRGs establish the policy framework under which government agencies undertake their own grant administration activities. They articulate the government's expectations for both government and non-government stakeholders involved in grants administration. The CGRGs outline the key principles that inform best practice in the award and administration of grants

including:

- robust planning and design;
- collaboration and partnership;
- proportionality;
- an outcomes orientation;
- achieving value with public money;
- governance and accountability;
- probity and transparency.

Agreement Managers must have regard to the key principles in the CGRGs when awarding and administering aid grants.

DFAT Aid Grants Framework

DFAT regularly provides aid grants to support the activities of multilateral organisations such as development banks, United Nations agencies, partner governments and larger Non-Government Organisations (NGOs). These aid grants may be provided to support a single activity or in the form of core funding to organisations with which DFAT has a strategic relationship.

DFAT has established Head Grant Agreements with a number of organisations, including many large NGOs and multilateral organisations. These articulate partnership principles, shared goals and general accountability requirements, but do not include financial obligations. Where these Head Grant Agreements have been established, funding for specific activities must be provided via a Grant Order which features more detailed information including activity descriptions, budgets, specific accountabilities, and standards. Where no Head Grant Agreement is in place, standalone Grant Agreements should be used to provide funding.

DFAT also awards grants via competitive grant processes, which involve inviting submissions from relevant external organisations in response to a design commissioned by DFAT. Competitive aid grant programs are usually designed to achieve specific policy or program outcomes and should be supported by a detailed design as well as guidelines specific to the grant program.

The Role of Contracting Services Branch

Contracting Services Branch (CVB) is responsible for establishing the overarching policy framework for aid grants and for providing advice on aid grants. Line areas are responsible for managing the award and administration of aid grants. Where an aid grant activity is planned, it must be conducted in accordance with the Aid Grant Guideline.

Aid Grant Clearance Requirements

Delegate Clearances

Aid grant documentation for agreements and amendments below \$500,000 (including GST) must be cleared by the relevant financial delegate as determined by reference to the financial delegations in the Finance Management Manual.

Delegates must clear and approve:

- draft competitive aid grant guidelines and Invitation to Submit an Activity Proposal (if any);

- Evaluation Outcome (as required); and
- aid grant agreements and amendments prior to signing the agreement or amendment.

A clearance checklist is available on the procurement intranet page and is attached to relevant approval minutes.

CVB Clearances

Aid grant documentation (including documents associated with competitive aid grant processes, aid grant agreements and amendments) for grants valued at or above \$500,000 (including GST) must be submitted for CVB clearance prior to seeking delegate approval, using the Agreement Clearance Worksheet as follows:

- any draft competitive aid grant guidelines and Invitation to Submit an Activity Proposal and draft grant agreement, together with the draft Approval to Approach the Market minute;
- draft Approval of Evaluation Outcome minute; and
- draft aid grant agreements and amendments prior to seeking delegate Approval to Commit and Enter Into An Arrangement¹ and signing of the agreement or amendment.

No-cost extensions do not require clearance by CVB unless they fundamentally modify the agreement. Clearances can take up to 10 business days depending on the complexity of the grant issues and whether legal clearance is required. Agreement Managers must make any changes as marked upon receiving the cleared documents back from CVB.

CVB is not responsible for clearing non-aid grants or head agreements.

Head Agreements

DFAT has established head agreements, Memoranda of Understanding and Records of Understanding with a number of organisations, including multilateral organisations, international organisations, Australian Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) and other Government departments. These head agreements articulate partnership principles, shared goals and general accountability requirements, but do not include financial obligations.

Head agreements are negotiated by the relevant policy, program or relationship management areas and must be cleared by a Director in Procurement and Commercial Law Section.

Awarding and Managing Grants

Risk

Agreement Managers must actively manage the risks associated with aid grants in accordance with the DFAT Guide to Better Risk Management and other aid management and risk policies.

This includes:

- conducting a risk assessment;
- identifying, assessing, allocating and treating risks in a manner commensurate with the scope, scale and complexity of the grant;
- ensuring DFAT's standard grant templates are used and that a written grant agreement is in place prior to work commencing;
- complying with the Commonwealth's policies on indemnities, guarantees and warranties as detailed in the Finance Management Manual.
- complying with the requirements of this Aid Grant Policy and the Aid Grant Guideline.

Where a grant program or a competitive process associated with awarding a grant is not low risk, Agreement Managers should consult with CVB.

Encouraging Competition

Agreement Managers must use competitive, merit based selection processes to award aid grants, unless the delegate provides approval to directly award a grant. Where delegate approval is sought to award an aid grant directly, an explanation as to how the proposed approach will achieve value for money in the absence of competition should be provided in the relevant financial approval.

DFAT does not generally award aid grants as a result of unsolicited proposals.

Grant Planning and Design

In developing grant guidelines and agreements, Agreement Managers must:

- clearly define and document the operational objectives of a granting activity which should be clearly linked to the delivery of outcomes (documented in aid program plans and Aid Investment Plans as relevant);
- ensure a proportional approach commensurate with the scale, scope and risk of the activity;
- avoid incorporating conditions which seek to limit, prevent or ban a not-for-profit organisation from advocating on policy issues;

- clearly outlines the documentation required to support grant recipient selection;
- clearly describes the basis upon which grant recipients will be selected, including any selection criteria.

Agreement Managers must develop grant guidelines for all competitive aid grant programs. Agreement Managers must have regard to the key principles in the CGRGs and manage competitive aid grant processes in accordance with the Aid Grant Guideline.

Grant and Financial Approvals

Delegates are accountable for ensuring that a proposed agreement represents a proper use of Commonwealth resources. To ensure proper oversight of the awarding of aid grants, DFAT has established the following controls:

- Approval to Approach the Market outlines the spending proposal, method of selection and how value for money will be achieved. Approval to Approach the Market should be sought prior to approaching the market;
- Approval of Evaluation Outcome outlines the selection process used, proposals received and evaluation outcomes, issues for negotiation and risks. Approval of Evaluation outcome should be sought prior to commencing negotiations; and
- Approval to Commit and Enter into An Arrangement outlines the spending proposal, outcome of negotiation issues, confirms funding and seeks approval to sign an agreement. Approval to Commit and Enter into An Arrangement must be sought prior to entering into an agreement. Agreement Managers must also seek an updated Approval to Commit and Enter Into An Arrangement prior to varying or amending a contract.

In providing these approvals, delegates must ensure that all approvals:

- are within the limits of their delegation;
- do not make a commitment for their own benefit;
- are supported by sufficient uncommitted relevant budget i.e. it is sustainable within the current year budget or over the forward estimates;
- are for a proper purpose i.e. it makes efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of Commonwealth resources (or to the greatest extent possible while ensuring government policies are complied with);
- are not inconsistent with Commonwealth and departmental policies and guidelines; and
- take into consideration that over the life of the agreement, there are appropriate resources committed to managing the agreement, including risk management and meeting mandatory reporting requirements.

Templates for these approvals are available from the Procurement intranet page.

These approvals may be consolidated and/or obtained in a manner commensurate with the scope, scale, risk and complexity of the aid grant. Delegates must record the details of an Approval to Commit and Enter Into an Arrangement in writing as soon as practicable after giving it, if provided verbally.

Any agreement that is subsequently entered into must be consistent with the terms of the approval. Delegates must also ensure they have sufficient authority to sign the agreement based on its total estimated value inclusive of GST. Where a proposed aid grant involves a contingent liability, authorisation must be obtained in accordance with the Finance Management Manual.

Delegations and responsibilities regarding approval of spending proposals and entering into agreements are further outlined in the Finance Management Manual.

Use of Grant Templates

All aid grant agreements must be drafted utilising the pre-approved templates available on the Procurement intranet site. Approval must be sought from a Director in CVB or Director Commercial and Procurement Law Section in order to make any changes to the standard terms and conditions detailed in these templates.

Grant Forecast and Reporting

Information about upcoming competitive aid grant programs is published on the Tenders and Business Opportunities page of the DFAT website. Agreement Managers must make any competitive grant guidelines publicly available on the Tenders and Business Opportunities page of the DFAT website and in local media where relevant. Agreement Managers must also ensure that aid grants awarded through a competitive process are published on the DFAT website within 45 days of agreement signature.

To enable DFAT to meet its statutory reporting obligations, Agreement Managers must ensure that grant agreements are correctly entered in AidWorks within 7 days of agreement signature.

Record Keeping

Each step in the granting process should be documented in a manner commensurate with the scale, scope and complexity of the proposed arrangement. Grant related documentation must be kept in accordance with the DFAT Records Management Policy. Scanned copies of agreements must also be uploaded into EDRMS and AidWorks.

Probity

Probity is a critical consideration in planning and managing the award and administration of grants. Probity is the evidence of ethical behaviour and can be defined as complete and confirmed integrity, uprightness and honesty in a particular process. Probity requires that staff involved in grant award and administration act ethically; do not make improper use of their position; avoid placing themselves in a position where there is potential for claims of bias; treat all potential grant recipients equitably; manage conflicts of interest appropriately; and ensure the confidentiality of information and the granting process.

Complaints

All complaints in relation to DFAT grants must be handled in accordance with the Complaints Handling in Procurement Guideline (available on the Procurement intranet page).

Grant Administration

Grant administration is the responsibility of line areas. Agreement Managers must actively manage grants to ensure DFAT obtains value for money. Agreement Managers must ensure that grant recipients comply with the terms and conditions of the grant agreement. Where this does not occur, Agreement Managers must take appropriate action consistent with the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

Aid Partner Performance Assessment

Aid Partner Performance Assessments (PPAs) reinforce performance accountability and assist in ensuring that delivery partners deliver value for money. They are also a key mechanism to measure performance and link performance and payment. PPA information is used in the evaluation of aid partners' past performance and informs the award of future agreements. Agreement Managers must complete annual PPAs

and upload to AidWorks for all aid related agreements with a total value over \$3 million (including GST), unless an exemption is approved.

Making Payments

All payments must be made in accordance with the Finance Management Manual. Agreement Managers must check invoices in detail prior to payment, both to verify that they are correctly calculated. Payments must be made or authorised by a relevant delegate. Invoices should only be paid subject to satisfactory acquittal of previous tranches in line with the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

Resources

Aid Grant Administration

Resources

- > Approval minute templates
- > Templates for conducting a competitive aid grant process
- > Standard Aid Grant Agreement Templates
- > Templates for Grants to Partner Governments or International

Organisations

- > Templates for Grants (Records of Understanding) to Other

Australian Government Departments

- > Delegate Clearance Checklist
- > Tenders and Business Opportunities (DFAT website)
- > Agreement Clearance Worksheet
- > AidWorks
- > Aid Programming Guide
- > Aid management and risk policies
- > DFAT Guide to Better Risk Management
- > Aid Management and Risk Policies
- > Complaints Handling in Procurement Guideline
- > Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP)
- > Direct Aid Program (DAP)

**AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO
GRANT SCHEME 2015-16**

The Australian National Commission for UNESCO assists projects which will further National Commission and UNESCO priorities and objectives as set out in UNESCO's approved [Programme and Budget for 2014-17 \(37 C/5\)](#) and [Medium-Term Strategy for 2014-21 \(37 C/4\)](#).

Applications for grants for between \$2,000 and \$30,000 will be considered (note: the National Commission may decide to grant only part of the funding requested). The Guidelines below provide further details. Applicants are encouraged to read the Guidelines in full, and to only submit applications which comply. Common errors include:

- seeking grant funding for fees or salaries;
- not clearly indicating which funding items the grant is for; and/or
- unsigned or absent referee letters.

Applications for the Australian National Commission Grants Scheme 2015-16 close on Friday 18 September 2015 at 5.00pm (AEST).

This year for the first time applications will be accepted and processed online using the SmartyGrants website at <https://anc.smartygrants.com.au/UNESCO2015>

There is no requirement to provide hardcopies or email the application. If you experience any issues with the new process please contact the Secretariat for the National Commission for UNESCO at: natcom.unesco@dfat.gov.au

GUIDELINES

Publicising the grant scheme

1. The opening of applications for the Australian National Commission for UNESCO grant scheme will be announced on the National Commission website.

Who can apply

2. All members/sectors of the community are eligible to apply for grant funding.
 - o Applicants, however, who were unsuccessful in applying for funding under the National Commission grant scheme 2013-14 (i.e. the latest grant scheme) need not resubmit applications for the same projects. Only applications for new projects will be considered.
3. The National Commission and Networks can invite submission of particular projects.
4. Subject to paragraph 5, grants will not normally be awarded to any particular applicant, or for a particular project, more than two consecutive years in a row.
5. Projects or programs which are directly associated with UNESCO's major programs and priorities may be awarded ongoing support on an annual basis (i.e. subject to annual acquittals and assessment of annual applications), on the recommendation of the grants sub-committee.

How to apply

6. Applications must be made online through the SmartyGrants website at <https://anc.smartygrants.com.au/UNESCO2015>
7. We expect that the outcomes of the 2015-16 grants process will be advised to applicants in mid-November 2015 with disbursement of funds anticipated before the end of the 2015 or early in the 2016 calendar year. Projects must be able to use the funding within one year from the date of payment by DFAT.
8. Funding will not be provided to projects that have commenced or concluded before the applicant is advised of the outcome by the Australian National Commission for UNESCO or if the project has commenced/concluded prior to the payment of the grant for successful applicants.
9. Covering letters are not required or supplied to the grants sub-committee and should not contain any additional information about the project **which is not included in the application.**

10. The applicant should be the owner of the bank account into which the grant (if successful) will be paid.
 - Please note that the bank account must be an Australian bank account. Grants will not be paid to overseas bank accounts.
11. The owner of the bank account into which a grant is paid will be legally responsible for the proper acquittal of any funds awarded.
12. The persons signing an application form and funding agreement must be duly authorised to do so.
13. Applications must be accompanied by support from two referees with no direct financial interest in this project, and preferably not from the applicant's organisation.
 - Referees must sign their letters of support and should comment on the project's proposed objectives and the strategies to achieve them using the Referee Template.
14. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their references are included in the SmartyGrants portal application before the closing date.
15. Any curricula vitae (CVs) included with a grant application are strictly limited to one page.
16. The amount applied for should be exclusive of Australian Goods and Services Tax (GST); if the applicant is registered for GST, the National Commission will add that amount to the grant if successful.
17. Income and expenditure amounts must be the same in the project budget supplied as part of the application process.
18. Project budgets should be as full, detailed and accurate as possible; these will form the basis of the funding agreement if a grant is awarded.
 - Applicants should ensure that the items they wish the National Commission to fund or partially fund are **clearly** indicated; unless the National Commission specifies otherwise, these will be the only activities for which the applicant can use any funds awarded.
19. Applicants should note that misleading the Australian Government on financial matters may have serious legal consequences.

20. No extensions for applications will be granted.

Criteria used for assessing grants

21. A sub-committee of the National Commission, comprising the Chair, Deputy Chair and specialist members for each of UNESCO's five programs and the youth representative, will be responsible for recommending which projects will be funded annually.

- If a member of the grants sub committee has a financial or other interest in any of the projects which are being considered for funding, they must declare that interest and not take part in the decision making process.
- Where a member of the grants sub committee has stepped aside from the assessment of a project in which he or she has an interest, the Chair may nominate another member of the National Commission to consider the application.

22. Applications will be assessed against the following criteria:

- the project addresses current National Commission and UNESCO priorities as set out in UNESCO's approved [Programme and Budget for 2014-173 \(37 C/5\)](#) and [Medium- Term Strategy for 2014-21 \(37 C/4\)](#)
- the project has outcomes reflecting UNESCO objectives and ideals as set out in the [UNESCO Constitution](#)
- National Commission funding is seed funding for the project, i.e. the application demonstrates that the project has received, or will likely receive, part of its funding from other sources
- the application demonstrates a capacity for sustainable outcomes and impact beyond the project's completion
- the application demonstrates a benefit for Australia and/or the Pacific sub region, in particular, and the Asia-Pacific region more generally, and
- the project has not previously received funding from the National Commission or the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

23. Grants will **not** be available for the following purposes:

- fees, salaries and/or honorariums
- funding to support an organisation's on-going running costs

- capital expenditure in real property, equipment or computer software
 - conference travel—an exception to the general rule may be made for participants in conferences when the subject of the conference is of direct relevance to the Australian National Commission for UNESCO and the applicant is a leader in the field. Applicants must also demonstrate that a substantial program of relevance to UNESCO priorities will be arranged before and/or after the conference
 - funding support to grant-giving organisations for activities mainly involving their own personnel
 - activities that are properly the responsibility of other funding bodies or other government agencies (e.g. development assistance projects, activities under bilateral science and technology agreements, projects normally handled by Austrade, etc.)
 - activities that are properly the responsibility of the host institution, e.g., post graduate students applying for travel assistance to do field work as part of their thesis will not normally be considered
 - activities that are commercially viable in their own right
 - any project in which the furthering of the National Commission's and UNESCO's objectives and priorities is incidental to the main aims of the project
 - activities undertaken by schools where travel by a significant number of students is the principal element of the proposal
 - employment of research assistants, administrative staff, etc., or the payment of administrative charges levied by the applicant's organisation
 - funding of completed projects, or recurrent funding of projects.
24. The grants sub-committee will be responsible for recommending to the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade the level of funding to be provided for each project; applications may be partly funded.
25. A call for applications does not guarantee that any grants will be made.
26. All decisions of the grants sub-committee are final and are not subject to review.

Notification

27. Applicants for Commission funding will be advised in writing or through the SmartyGrants portal of the outcome of their application.
28. Successful applicants will receive a funding agreement for signature and will be advised of any additional special conditions which the National Commission may specify for their grant.

Responsibilities of successful applicants

29. Funding recipients are responsible for all administrative costs and arrangements associated with their activities, including visa and travel arrangements, visa charges, airport taxes, ground transport, travel and health insurance and accommodation, unless these are specifically included in the award.
30. Funding recipients are also responsible for making their own arrangements regarding any taxation liabilities, which may arise from the award of funding.
31. Payment will only be made after receipt of the signed funding agreement, and a tax invoice.
32. Funding recipients who are registered, or required to be registered, for GST must include GST, separately itemised, on their tax invoice.
33. Funding recipients who do not have an Australian Business Number (ABN) must provide the National Commission Secretariat with a completed Australian Taxation Office ([ATO](#)) [Statement by a Supplier form](#).
34. All funding recipients must abide by their funding agreements, otherwise funding may be withdrawn.

Acquittal

35. All projects/programs funded from the grant scheme are to be acquitted through the SmartyGrants portal, including a report on outcomes and a financial statement, within 30 days of the project being completed. Projects and acquittals are to be completed no later than one year after the grant funding was received by the applicant.
 - Acquittals for grants of \$10,000 or more must be signed off by an accountant.
 - If funds are not acquitted, further funding will not be available until the particular project is acquitted.
 - Unspent grant funds must be returned to the National Commission.

Review of these guidelines

36. These guidelines may be subject to periodic review and amendment at the discretion of the Australian National Commission for UNESCO.

International Climate Change Engagement 2015-2016

Application Guidelines

1. Overview

The Department of Foreign Affairs has an annual allocation of \$3 million to advance Australia's interests in promoting effective international action on climate change. Funding is available for projects which support the objective and project deliverables in accordance with the program's strategic priorities.

Funding is administered on an annual basis, although longer term projects across financial years are welcome (not more than four years), on the basis of in-principle approval only, subject to appropriation of funds by the Australian Parliament for that financial year.

Funding is not part of Australia's official development assistance program, but projects which could be eligible for classification as overseas development assistance can be considered.

2. Objective

The objective of this program is: to encourage development of international policies and measures in relation to climate change through the pursuit of broad-based international climate action and agreement.

Program deliverables are:

- Influence international climate change negotiations to advance Australia's national interests in global environmental sustainability and economic competitiveness.
- Promote broad-based climate action, especially by major economies and Australia's major trading partners.
- Strengthen strategic and practical climate change engagement with key partners, including major economies and Australia's trading partners, and other influential groupings.

- Promote understanding of the action Australia takes to address climate change.

Applications are sought for funding for activities which will support these aims in line with the current strategic priorities set by the Multilateral Policy Division in its Program Strategy document (see separate document).

Other departmental and government objectives are relevant in the consideration of applications, but priority is assigned to the objectives and deliverables of the program.

3. Key dates

Application Stage	Date
Deadline for applications	5pm AEST - 3 July 2015
Notification of results	31 July 2015**
Commencement of activity	Before 1 November 2015

** While every effort will be made to comply with this date, it is indicative only.

If a proportion of the fund remains unspent or becomes available later in the year due to project non-performance, there may be an opportunity to re-apply.

4. Applications

Applicants should use the attached template for submissions and ensure that the following issues are covered:

- Clearly demonstrate how the project will further the Program objective, including the attainment of Program deliverables
- Support argumentation with how the project contributes to other Australian Government priorities
- Set out how project developer has consulted relevant government agencies in development of the project – including contact details
- Explain how the project ensures value for money and deals with risk
- Include an indicative budget for the project including GST where applicable

5. Application Process

The selection process for 2015-2016 is a targeted competitive funding round.

Applications will be assessed by a steering committee consisting of the Assistant Secretary Sustainability and Climate Change Branch with representatives from DFAT, Department of the Environment and the Clean Energy Regulator.

The committee will make recommendations to the delegate. Committee recommendations are advisory and decisions of the delegate are final. The office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs will be provided with an opportunity to comment before recommendations are finalised.

Successful applications will be given in-principle support only at this stage and will be required to submit more detailed plans, including budget and risk management strategies for final funding approval.

6. Reporting and Acquittal requirements

Project organisers will be required to provide a final report on the project together with a signed acquittal of expenditure statement within 60 days of the conclusion of the project. It is a legal requirement to acquit funds and failure to acquit funds can lead to the Commonwealth of Australia taking appropriate action to recover the full amount from the project manager.

The funds can only be used for purposes as specified in the funding agreement. All unused funds must be returned to the Government within 60 days of the completion of the project.

Organisations that do not submit acceptable final reports and acquittal statements will not be considered for future funding.

7. Transparency

The Commonwealth is obliged to publish as much information as is legally possible about certain types of payments. Details will be published on the DFAT and/or Austender websites unless there is a specific confidentiality reason not to do so.

8. Method of Payment

Successful applicants will be required to accept certain conditions under an agreement. Payment can be made by electronic funds transfer on issuance of an invoice. Arrangements will vary considerably with the nature of each project.

9. Sample agreements

Sample agreements are available from the DFAT contact person listed below. Where applicants cannot enter into such agreements, alternative arrangements can be made.

10. DFAT contact person

Any queries relating to the application process should be directed to antonella.heggie@dfat.gov.au (tel: 6178 5455).

11. Submission of application form

Applicants must email a copy of the application to antonella.heggie@dfat.gov.au .

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Question No 113

Program: DFAT

Topic: Rebranding

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the department/Agency undergone a name change or any other form of rebranding? If so:

a. Please detail why this name change / rebrand were considered necessary and a justified use of departmental funds?

i. Please provide a copy of any reports that were commissioned to study the benefits and costs associated with the rebranding.

b. Please provide the total cost associated with this rebrand and then break down by amount spent replacing:

i. Signage.

ii. Stationery (please include details of existing stationery and how it was disposed of).

iii. Logos

iv. Consultancy

v. Any relevant IT changes.

vi. Office reconfiguration.

c. How was the decision reached to rename and/or rebrand the department?

i. Who was involved in reaching this decision? ii. Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) from within the department, or between the department and the government regarding the rename/rebranding.

Answer

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1. No.

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Question No 114

Program: DFAT

Topic: Media monitoring

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office during the specified period?

A. Which agency or agencies provided these services?

B. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?

C. Itemise these expenses.

2. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency during the specified period?

A. Which agency or agencies provided these services?

B. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?

C. Itemise these expenses

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Answer

1 a,b&c. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade paid \$32.75 ex GST for media monitoring services (transcripts and associated copyright) used by the Offices of the Minister for Trade and Investment from 15 September 2015 to 21 March 2016.

2a. Isentia Group Ltd (ABN 11 002 533 851) provides the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's media monitoring service.

2b. Between 15 September 2015 - 29 February 2016, The department has spent \$150,800.65 (GST exc).

2c. Itemised expenses.

Service	Total (GST exc)
Broadcast Copyright	\$112.74
Media Services Fee	\$99,600.00
Press Copyright - Digital	\$27,256.68
Press Copyright - Downstream	\$9,705.03
Transcript	\$4,051.60
Grand Total	\$140,726.05

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Question No 115

Program: DFAT

Topic: Communication procedures (Ministerial)

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

1. Does the minister's office have a procedure manual for communication between the minister's office and the department? If yes, please provide a copy and:

2. When was the manual last updated?

3. Who is responsible for updating the manual?

4. Who is the manual distributed to?

5. Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the department?

Answer

1. No.

2. N/A.

3. N/A.

4. N/A.

5. This question should be directed to the offices of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Minister for Trade and Investment.

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Question No 116

Program: DFAT

Topic: Enterprise Bargaining

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. Please list all related Enterprise Bargaining Agreements with coverage of the department.***
- 2. Please list their starting and expiration dates.***
- 3. What is the current status of negotiations for the next agreement/s? Please detail.***

Answer

1. Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Enterprise Agreement.
2. Start date: 17 December 2015. Nominal expiry date: 16 December 2018
3. No negotiations are currently taking place.

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Question No 117

Program: DFAT

Topic: Existing Resources Program

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How many projects, work, programs or other tasks has the department started as a consequence of government policies or priorities that are required to be funded 'within existing resources'?

2. List each

3. List the staffing assigned to each task

4. What is the nominal total salary cost of the officers assigned to the project?

5. What resources or equipment has been assigned to the project?

Answer

1, 2 & 5. Since 14 September, 2015, the department has implemented a number of government priorities. These include:

- Four recommendations under the Australia-Germany Advisory Group i.e. annual 2+2 strategic dialogue between Foreign and Defence Ministers, formal exchange of diplomatic officers, 1.5 track dialogue to be coordinated by the Australian Strategic Policy Institute and its German counterpart (the department's contribution is \$72,000), and inauguration of a regular Asian Dialogue involving senior officials from both countries. The other three projects have not been costed yet;
- Annual chair of the Mexico-Indonesia-Republic of Korea-Turkey-Australia (MIKTA) grouping at an estimated cost of \$363,000;
- \$1 million in assistance Indonesia to fight forest fires;
- \$69 million in humanitarian assistance to Syria and Iraq;
- \$5 million for the Climate Risk Early Warning System (CREWS) initiative;
- up to \$1 million to support families affected by Typhoon Koppu in Philippines;
- \$9 million to assist communities and governments across the Pacific to prepare for and respond to the effects of El Niño;

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- \$10 million in humanitarian assistance to Ethiopia to support those affected by drought conditions;
- \$0.5 million in drought assistance to the North Pacific; and
- \$15 million in humanitarian assistance to Fiji in response to Tropical Cyclone Winston.

3 & 4. To provide these details would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.

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Question No 118

Program: DFAT

Topic: Government Contracts and Agreements

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

1. Do any contracts managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticising Government policy? If so, please name each contract. When was it formed or created?

2. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?

3. Do any agreements managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticisms of Government policy? If so, please name each agreement. When was it formed or created?

4. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?

5. For each of the contracts and agreements, are there any particular reason, such as genuine commercial in confidence information, for this restriction?

6. Have any changes to financial or resource support to services which advocate on behalf of groups or individuals in Australian society been made? If so, which groups? What was the change?

7. Has any consultation occurred between the Department/Agency and any individuals and/or community groups about these changes? If so, what consultation process was used? Was it public? If not, why not? Are public submissions available on a website?

8. If no consultation has occurred, why not?

9. Did the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary meet with any stakeholders about changes to advocacy in their contracts and/or agreements? If so, when? Who did he/she meet with?

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Answer

1. The Department's standard contract terms and conditions do not contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticizing Government policy.
2. N/A
3. The Department's standard agreement terms and conditions do not contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticizing Government policy. The International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) Grant Agreement (number 70971 created 22 May 2015 and expiring on 31 December 2016) contains a Special Condition placing a restriction on advocacy relating to abortion laws in developing countries, which was introduced to IPPF core funding arrangements in May 2011.
4. Schedule 1 - Agreement Details - Item number 17 d. "The Recipient and its personnel, including Member Associations, must comply with the instruction that the Grant may not be used to advocate with legislators for changes in national abortion laws."
5. No
6. No
7. N/A
8. N/A
9. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is not aware of the Ministers or Parliamentary Secretaries having met with any stakeholders about changes to advocacy in their contracts and / or agreements.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 119

Program: DFAT

Topic: Statutory Review Provisions

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a statutory review provision/s. For each, please provide:

- 1. What work has been done towards preparing for the review? If none, why not?*
- 2. Please provide a schedule or a work plan for the review*
- 3. When did/will this work begin?*
- 4. When is/was the review due to commence.*
- 5. What is the expected report date.*
- 6. Who is the minister responsible for the review*
- 7. What department is responsible for the review*
- 8. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.*
- 9. List the terms of reference.*
- 10. What is the scope of the review.*
- 11. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review?*
- 12. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?*
- 13. When was the Minister briefed on this matter?*
- 14. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?*

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15. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review

16. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?

Answer

The department has identified two Acts within its portfolio that contain statutory review provisions.

The *Export Market Development Grants Act 1997* contains a provision for the review of the scheme, to be conducted not later than 1 January 2015. Further information regarding this review is being provided by Austrade in response to a similar Question on Notice to Austrade (Austrade question number 68).

The *Intelligence Services Act 2011* contains provisions for reviews of other legislation to be undertaken by the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security. These reviews do not relate to the *Intelligence Services Act 2011* and relate to other Acts which are not within the department's portfolio responsibilities.

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Question No 120

Program: DFAT

Topic: Sunset Provisions

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

1. Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a sunset provision/s. For each, please provide:

A. What work has been done towards preparing for the activation of sunset provisions? If no work has commenced, why not?

B. Has any consideration been given to delaying or alerting the sunset provisions?

C. Please provide a schedule or a workplan for the sunset provisions becoming active

D. When did/will this work begin?

2. Will there be any reviews of or relating to the legislation before or after the sunset provision is enacted? If yes:

A. When is/was the review due to commence.

B. What is the expected report date.

C. Who is the minister responsible for the review

D. What department is responsible for the review

E. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.

F. List the terms of reference.

G. What is the scope of the review.

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H. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review?

I. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?

J. When was the Minister briefed on this matter?

K. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?

L. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review

M. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?

Answer

The department has not identified any Acts within its portfolio that contain a sunset provision.

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Question No 121

Program: DFAT

Topic: Legal fees

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency***
- 2. List the total cost for these items, broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or taken to prepare the advice and the level of counsel used in preparing the advice, whether the advice was internal or external***
- 3. List cost spend briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spent briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial)***
- 4. How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice***

Answer

1, 2 & 3. The department is obliged under s11.1 (da) of the *Legal Services Directions 2005* to report to the Office of Legal Services Coordination (OLSC), within 60 days after the end of each financial year, about the legal services expenditure and legal work of the agency.

The total expenditure by the Department for the 1 July 2014 – 30 June 2015 period is \$19,032,895, consistent with information publicly available on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade website under “Legal Services Expenditure”.

It would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources to separately task relevant areas of the department and external law firms in order to answer this question beyond what is already being done in order to meet OLSC reporting requirements.

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4. From 1 June 2013 the Department has been utilising the Commonwealth whole-of-government Legal Services Multi-Use List for the procuring of external legal advice in Australia.

External legal service providers are selected on the basis of best value for money, including relevant expertise.

The Legal Services Directions state that legal work is tied to the Australian Government Solicitor and the Attorney-General's Department if it involves:

- constitutional law issues
- national security issues, or
- Cabinet work.

Overseas posts obtain external legal advice from those local firms which have established the necessary expertise and level of service.

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Question No 122

Program: DFAT

Topic: Communication procedures (Department)

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. Does the department have a procedure manual for communication between the department and the minister? If yes, please provide a copy and:***
- 2. When was the manual last updated?***
- 3. Who is responsible for updating the manual?***
- 4. Has the minister's office had any input into the content of the manual? If so, please detail.***
- 5. Who is the manual distributed to?***
- 6. Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the minister or the minister's office?***

Answer

1. No. The department issues guidance to staff through administrative circulars on specific communications such as ministerial submissions.
2. N/A.
3. N/A.
4. N/A.
5. N/A.
6. Communications with ministers' offices take many forms and are conducted and cleared at different levels, as appropriate.

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Question No 123

Program: DFAT

Topic: Vending machines

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased or taken under contract any vending machine facilities?

A. If so, list these

B. If so, list the total cost for these items

C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure

D. If so, where were these purchased

E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased

F. If so, what is the current location for these items?

G. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?

Answer

1. No

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Question No 124

Program: DFAT

Topic: Self Initiated work

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. Does the department have a program for staff to engage in self-initiated work (projects, plans etc that are devised by staff without being directed by the minister's office or department management)?***
- 2. Please list all ongoing projects. For each, please detail:***
- 3. When did the project commence?***
- 4. When is it expected to conclude?***
- 5. What will the total cost of the project be?***
- 6. Where did the money for the project come from?***
- 7. Where is the project based?***

Answer

No, there are no existing programs for staff to engage in self-initiated work without direction from the Minister's office or departmental management.

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Question No 125

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff awards

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the Department / Agency given out awards to staff for any reason? If yes:

A. What was the reason for the awards?

B. What was the criteria for the awards?

C. What form did the award take? (e.g. Certificate, gift vouchers etc)

D. How much was spent on the award?

2. How were the awards presented?

3. Who presented the awards?

4. Was there a ceremony or party for the awards? If yes:

A. Where was it held?

B. Was there a fee for the venue? If yes, how much?

C. How much was spent on catering?

D. How many people attended?

E. Did the minister attend?

F. Did the minister's staff attend? If yes, how many?

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1. Yes, the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFAT) Australia Day Achievement Awards were presented on 28 January 2016.

A. The annual Australia Day Achievement Awards are made to DFAT staff members (individual and/or teams) as part of the National Australia Day Council's (NADC) program to acknowledge outstanding contributions by public sector staff.

B. There were seven categories for the 2016 Awards, with the following criteria:

1. Outstanding Service in Exceptional Circumstances
2. Excellence in Corporate Services
3. Excellence in Client Services
4. Excellence in Advancing our Strategic Goals
5. Outstanding Performance by Locally-Engaged Staff
6. Innovation
7. Leadership

C. Individual recipients received a NADC medallion and a certificate. Teams received an engraved wooden plaque (one per team)

D. Total cost for the medallions, certificates and plaques was \$1,847.

2. At an in-house ceremony hosted by the Secretary of DFAT.

3. The Secretary of DFAT.

4. Yes, there was an awards ceremony open to all staff members to attend, followed by an afternoon tea for invited guests only.

A. Within the DFAT building (ground floor atrium).

B. No fee.

C. \$368.85

D. Approximately 450 staff members attended the awards ceremony. Approximately 150 invited guests attended the afternoon tea following the ceremony.

E. No

F. No

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Question No 126

Program: DFAT

Topic: Change management

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

1. Has the Department/Agency engaged in a policy of Change Management?

If yes:

A. Please detail the policy.

B. When was the policy introduced?

C. What are the goals of the policy?

D. How much was spent on consulting for the policy and who was contracted for this consultation?

E. How much was spent implementing this policy?

Answer

The department developed a Change Management Plan (CMP) in late 2013 to guide the change process of integration with AusAID, and parts of the departments of Climate Change and Tourism brought on by machinery-of-government changes. The CMP incorporated core activities associated with the implementation of the departmental Action Plan developed in response to the APSC Capability Review of DFAT.

The CMP provided a high-level view of the stages of change for the Department: Preparation (up to 1 November 2013), Transition (1 November 2013 – 30 June 2014) and Strengthen (1 July 2014 – end 2015). For each of these phases it proposed key questions/ considerations to be addressed; critical activities to be delivered; and key change management principles that would be fundamental to how it would be implemented.

No external consultancy service was used in the development of the CMP.

Implementation of the change management process was managed through existing budgets.

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Question No 127

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff misconduct

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct.***
- 2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff?***
 - A. If yes, list the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level.***
 - B. If yes, what remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?***
 - C. If yes, when was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?***
 - D. If yes, were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.***

Answer

1.

Staff employed by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), are bound by three codes of conduct.

- The Public Service Code of Conduct as contained in Section 13 of the *Public Service Act 1999*. This code applies to all APS employees
- The Code of Conduct for Overseas Service as contained within the department's Conduct and Ethics Manual (copy attached). This code applies to all APS officers on deployment
- The Locally Engaged Staff (LES) Code of Conduct as contained within the DFAT Conduct and Ethics Manual (copy attached). This code applies to all

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locally engaged employees at our overseas posts. Strict adherence to this code is mandatory, as per the terms and conditions of their employment contracts .

2.

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, the following code breaches have been determined (does not include 4 ongoing cases):

- APS Code of Conduct- 3 cases (including 2 contractors)
- Code of Conduct for Overseas service- 1 case
- LES Code of Conduct- 4 cases

2(a)

Code breaches and staffing level as follows:

Classification	APS1-5	APS6	EL1	EL2	SES	Contractor	LES officer
APS Code of Conduct	1	0	0	0	0	2	n/a
Code of Conduct for Overseas Service	0	0	1	0	0	0	n/a
LES Code of Conduct	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4

2(b)

All cases were the subject of formal disciplinary inquiries by the Conduct and Ethics Unit, in accordance with the relevant codes.

Disciplinary action taken by the department included:

- Formal reprimand
- Recall from posting
- Contract termination

Some officers resigned prior to sanctions being imposed.

2(c)

With relation to finalised code breaches:

- 2 matters reported by DFAT security staff on 24 February 2016

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- 1 matter reported by another staff member on 8 February 2016
- 1 matter reported by a member of the public on 30 November 2015
- 1 matter reported, reported by another staff member on 1 December 2015
- 1 matter reported by another staff member on 8 December 2015
- 1 matter reported by an external organisation on 6 October 2015,
- 1 matter reported by another staff member on 13 October 2015

The department does not routinely make the Minister aware of Code of Conduct breaches.

2(d)

Neither the department nor any staff members have appeared before a court of law in respect to these matters.

Attachments:

A) DFAT Code of Conduct for Overseas Service

B) LES Code of Conduct

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Attachment A: DFAT Code of Conduct for Overseas Service

Introduction

1.1 Employees of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade ('the Department') travelling overseas on official business, including those on long-term postings, are required to provide an undertaking that they will comply with the Code of Conduct for Overseas Service ('the Code'), which is underpinned by the Australian Public Service (APS) Code of Conduct. The Code provides guidance to Employees on their obligations under Section 13(12) of the *Public Service Act 1999*, which states that: 'An APS employee on duty overseas must at all times behave in a way that upholds the good reputation of Australia'.

1.2 All APS employees, because they serve the Government and the community at large, assume a position of trust together with ethical obligations. Australians have a right to expect from their representatives overseas a wholehearted and scrupulous commitment to the highest standards of behaviour. APS employees overseas are required to comply with the applicable laws of Australia and with all applicable regulations, directions and guidelines relating to their official and personal conduct.

1.3 The Code provides guidelines for Employees' behaviour overseas, both personal and professional. In conducting themselves overseas, Employees are expected to use their good judgment and common sense. If any Employee is in any doubt about aspects of the Code or unsure about how to proceed, they are encouraged to seek guidance from senior colleagues or from the Conduct and Ethics Unit (CEU). Staff may also wish to consult the Australian Public Service Commission's 2003 publication, *APS Values and Code of Conduct in Practice: A guide to official conduct for APS employees and agency heads*, which is available on the Commission's website.

1.4 In the Code the term 'Employee' means an APS employee under the *Public Service Act 1999*. The Code applies to Employees on long-term postings, including Heads of Mission, those who are overseas on short-term missions and visits and those on leave without pay. It applies to Employees who are temporarily attached to non-APS bodies such as international organisations, foreign government agencies, non-government organisations and private-sector corporations.

1.5 The Code does not apply to honorary consuls and their staff, or to locally-engaged staff (LES) at Australian diplomatic or consular missions. Honorary consuls and their staff are expected to observe the provisions in the *Guidelines for Australian Honorary Consuls* contained in the Consular Handbook. Separate guidelines on conduct for locally-engaged staff are issued under the authority of the Head of Mission in each location.

1.6 Breaches of the Code are regarded as a breach of Section 13(12) of the *Public Service Act 1999* and will be handled in accordance with departmental procedures for handling breaches of the APS Code of Conduct. All management actions taken to address conduct issues in accordance with the Code will be subject to the normal requirements of procedural fairness.

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Upholding Australia's Reputation

2.1 APS employees working overseas are seen as representatives of Australia, not only in the performance of their official functions but also in the manner in which they conduct themselves as private individuals. Regardless of their formal roles or responsibilities, their visibility and status as foreign officials means that their actions will be subject to a greater degree of scrutiny and public interest than they would be at home, and that an adverse perception of those actions may have an impact on Australia's reputation. Furthermore, Australian officials abroad may face dilemmas in the area of conduct and ethics which do not arise in Australia, in a range of social, cultural, financial or personal settings.

2.2 Employees who are on duty overseas have a duty to act at all times in a manner which upholds the good reputation of Australia, and which contributes to the good reputation of the Department and any Australian mission with which they are associated. The duty to uphold the good reputation of Australia is fundamental, and underlies the approach to particular principles of conduct overseas elaborated under the sub-headings below. Members of an Employee's household are also expected to uphold Australia's reputation overseas.

Respect for the Law

3.1 In accordance with the Vienna Conventions on diplomatic and consular relations, an Employee overseas must respect the law of the country to which he or she is posted, or in which he or she is travelling. An Employee must comply with any lawful and reasonable directions, and take into account any guidance issued by the Department and the Head of Mission, concerning the operation of local laws and regulations. Such directions and guidance will be of special relevance where there is a major difference between the requirements of local law and the law applying in Australia. Employees must give particular attention to laws and directions concerning bank accounts, currency dealings, purchase and disposal of motor vehicles and traffic infringements. Employees should also make arrangements to clear all outstanding locally incurred financial debts prior to completing their posting.

3.2 An Employee overseas must inform the Head of Mission as soon as practicable if the Employee, or a member of his or her household, comes to the notice of the local law enforcement authorities, except in matters of minor traffic infringements. Where the Employee is not attached to an Australian mission, he or she must also inform the Department. Where there appears to be a breach of local law, excluding minor traffic infringements, the Head of Mission should inform the Department immediately. These requirements will apply in all cases, including where the Employee may, but for diplomatic or consular status, have been charged with an offence.

3.3 Amendments to the *Crimes (Overseas) Act 1964* extend the scope of the Act to apply extraterritorially to Australian diplomatic and consular employees (and their family members) serving overseas who have immunity from prosecution under local law. As a result, an Employee (or family member) who has committed a crime overseas could, in certain circumstances, be prosecuted in Australia rather than under local law. An Australian prosecution could only be commenced where: a

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similar crime exists in Australia; the person's immunity from local jurisdiction has not been waived by the Minister for Foreign Affairs; and the Attorney-General (following consultation with the Minister for Foreign Affairs) has provided consent. The legislation also contains safeguards to ensure that individuals do not face prosecution for the same crime both overseas and in Australia. The amendments came into effect on 1 July 2003.

Cultural Sensitivity

4.1 Employees living and working overseas need to be culturally sensitive to the people of the host country and to be understanding of local customs, including those relating to personal behaviour.

4.2 An Employee overseas must respect laws and customs which are protective of local cultural property. An Employee must not purchase or export, or make arrangements in respect of the purchase or export of, any item of cultural property other than in accordance with local regulations, and with the knowledge and consent of the host authorities where this is required. The term 'cultural property' includes any antiquity, artefact, document, work of art or other chattel which is of national, historical, scientific, literary or artistic importance, and also includes any property the sale or export of which is, or may be, subject to local regulation.

4.3 The APS and Australia have a reputation for integrity which must not be undercut by any perception that an Employee might be influenced by bribes, gifts or other benefits. Subject to paragraph 4.4, an Employee overseas and members of his or her household must not accept gifts, benefits or hospitality or advantages that are offered in connection with the Employee's duties, status, power or authority.

4.4 Where refusal of a gift is likely to give offence to an extent that could adversely affect Australia's interests, the Employee may accept the gift, but must promptly report it in accordance with Departmental procedures and advise the Head of Mission. The gift is regarded as the property of the Commonwealth until the Secretary's delegate determines its disposal. Gifts retained for any reason must be recorded in a register maintained for the purpose at the mission. Employees may retain gifts that exceed the value limits set for gifts from government or private sources subject to payment to the Department of the difference between the allowable limit and the wholesale value of the gift plus GST. An item classified as having little or no commercial value may be retained without the approval of the delegate, but the Employee must ensure that it falls within that classification as determined by the delegate. Money must **never** be accepted as a gift.

Appropriate Personal Behaviour

5.1 An Employee must not engage in behaviour at any time which is likely to affect adversely an Employee's ability to perform his or her duties, or the ability of his or her mission to achieve its objectives, or which is likely to bring the mission or Australia into disrepute. In particular, Employees should be aware that sexual behaviour and use of alcohol and other substances are areas of particular sensitivity, where conduct may more easily be seen as offensive or be misinterpreted, and where particular attention to appropriate personal behaviour

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in the local context is therefore require. Where an Employee, including a Head of Mission, is in any doubt as to the applicability of this principle, he or she should seek advice from a supervisor and, if necessary, the CEU.

5.2 Where an Employee is engaged in any personal relationship which might have any of the adverse effects set out in Para 5.1, he or she must inform the Head of Mission. Heads of Mission must treat any information they receive in relation to such matters in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988*, including, where appropriate, disclosure of information to FAS CMD.

5.3 An Employee must comply with the age of consent requirements specified for sexual activity in the law of the host country or the age of consent under the law of the Australian Capital Territory (16 years), whichever sets the greater age.

5.4 An Employee must not use, or be required to use, mission office facilities, staff or resources for the purpose of arranging or facilitating access to sex workers by any person, including visitors to the mission.

5.5 An Employee's personal conduct towards his or her domestic staff and locally-engaged staff must not be exploitative or be such as to lead reasonably to a perception of exploitation. This provision also applies to members of an Employee's household. If a sexual relationship occurs, the Employee must inform the Head of Mission or, in the case of a Head of Mission, the FAS CMD.

Household Members

6.1 An Employee must notify the Head of Mission or, in the case of a Head of Mission, the FAS CMD, if he or she is planning to change the composition of his or her household. (A household includes the Employee's family and other dependants as defined in Volume Two of the Human Resources Manual). This does not replace the Employee's obligation, in conformity with the Security Instructions, to inform Diplomatic Security Branch of any change to their circumstances which may affect them or their security clearance.

6.2 Accompanying household members are not covered directly by the Code or subject to any obligations under the *Public Service Act 1999* or Departmental directions in relation to conduct. It is nonetheless the case that because of their visibility and identifiability as part of an Australian official community, the actions of household members can have an impact on the reputation of Australia or of an Australian mission, and on the ability of Employees to perform their duties.

6.3 An Employee overseas must take all reasonable steps to ensure that members of his or her household are aware of local laws, culture and customs. In the event of behaviour by a household member which would breach paragraph 5.1 if committed by the Employee, the Employee must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the behaviour ceases. If the behaviour persists, the Employee must consult the Head of Mission. In cases involving members of the Head of Mission's household, Heads of Mission should consult with the FAS CMD. Incidents of such behaviour may, for operational reasons, require recall to Australia and possibly termination of the Employee's posting. In such an event, no blame will attach to the Employee by reason only of the behaviour of the member of his or her household.

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Respect for Others and Tolerance of their Opinions

7.1 As in Australia, Employees overseas have a duty to contribute to the effective functioning of the workplace by treating their colleagues and the public with respect. Even more than in Australia, this will require particular attention to the possibly very different cultural backgrounds, beliefs and opinions of the people encountered in the workplace and outside it. This principle is central to good relations with locally-engaged staff and domestic staff, and is important to effective performance in all overseas environments.

7.2 Employees overseas must respect the cultural background of colleagues in the workplace (including locally-engaged staff), clients and domestic staff; not discriminate against, or harass such persons or any other person because of their sex, marital status, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, disability or religious beliefs, or upon any similar ground; and respect the privacy of individuals when dealing with personal information.

Integrity in the Use of Diplomatic and Consular Status and Privileges

8.1 Diplomatic or consular status and privileges are conferred on an Employee overseas to facilitate the operation of the diplomatic or consular mission with which he or she is associated, and not for the personal benefit of the Employee or members of the Employee's household. An Employee must act with integrity in relation to any privilege he or she may have (such as exemption under international law from the payment of taxes or duties) as a diplomatic or consular representative. Goods obtained without the payment of duty under privilege are for personal use only, and must not be sold or used as payment of any kind to persons who do not have the relevant privilege. An Employee must not be required to use diplomatic privileges in a manner that would undermine the integrity of those privileges.

8.2 Employees overseas must not seek either to invoke or to waive diplomatic or consular immunity, which is a matter for decision by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Employees should be aware that consular immunity can exist only in respect of consular acts.

8.3 It is important to note that Employees and members of their households have no immunity in relation to any professional or commercial activity in which they may engage outside of their official functions. Where a member of his or her household is planning to engage in any private gainful occupation, an Employee must consult the Head of Mission, who may decide that the Department and/or the host government be consulted. Where a member of the Head of Mission's household is planning to engage in any private gainful occupation, the Head of Mission should consult with the FAS CMD.

8.4 An Employee must take all reasonable steps to ensure that any activities by a member of his or her household who is carrying on a private gainful occupation do not give rise to a conflict or the perception of a conflict between the official duty of the Employee and the private interest of either the person or a member of his or her household. For example, they must not use the mission's address as that of their place of business. In cases where the mission address is the sole address,

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household members should use a private PO Box for carrying on a private business.

Authority of the Head of Mission

9.1 An Employee overseas must comply with any lawful and reasonable directions issued by the Head of Mission and must consult the Head of Mission about any personal or professional issue that gives rise to concerns relating to the operation of the mission in accordance with paragraph 5.1 above. In the event of a difference between an Employee and the Head of Mission over the lawfulness or reasonableness of a direction, either may refer the matter to the FAS CMD for decision. Pending the Department's decision, the Employee is expected to comply with the written directions of the Head of Mission.

9.2 An employee of an agency different to that employing the Head of Mission is subject to the overall management and control of his or her agency while overseas, but is subject to the direction of the Head of Mission on any matters within that employee's area of responsibility that could affect Australia's bilateral relations with the host government, the administration of the mission or the good reputation of the mission or Australia in the host country.

9.3 In the event of any difference between a Head of Mission and any such employee concerning the extent of the Head of Mission's authority, either may request their employing agency to take up the matter with the employing agency of the other. Pending the resolution of any such differences by those agencies, the employee is expected to comply with the written directions of the Head of Mission.

Implementation

10.1 An undertaking indicating knowledge of and willingness to comply with the Code is a condition of approval for travel overseas, whether on short or long-term assignment, for all Employees.

10.2 Employees have an obligation to report apparent or alleged breaches of the Code to the Head of Mission and, where appropriate, to the FAS CMD or, if they prefer, directly to the CEU. Employees who make or investigate reports will be protected from disciplinary action or harassment in accordance with Section 16 of the *Public Service Act 1999*. Employees should also consult relevant departmental instructions on reporting breaches.

10.3 Where an Employee becomes aware of serious criminal misconduct, by another Australian who is not an APS employee, the Employee should report the matter to the Head of Mission, who will, in turn, consider the most appropriate course of action, including reporting the matter to local law enforcement authorities or the Australian Federal Police. Employees should be aware of potential conflict of interest where the person involved may subsequently become a consular client. Chapter 12 of the Consular Handbook on managing child sex complaints provides useful guidance in this respect.

10.4 Any failure to comply with the Code will be handled in accordance with departmental procedures for handling breaches of the APS Code of Conduct. In

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serious cases, an Employee may, for operational reasons, be recalled to Australia pending the outcome of an investigation. This would not be disciplinary action. Where an allegation relates to a Head of Mission, a report must be made to the FAS CMD.

10.5 The making of an allegation which is found to be without substance and which is knowingly false, vexatious or malicious, may be treated as a breach of the APS Code of Conduct.

10.6 In accordance with longstanding practice, the Department will pass to the Australian Federal Police any information which it can reasonably be suspected relates to an offence under applicable Australian law.

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Attachment B: LES Code of Conduct

About the LES Code of Conduct

3.4.1 An Australian Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office is the official representative office of the Australian Government. Australian principles and standards of conduct apply in that workplace. The department expects LES to observe the same high standard of conduct, honesty and integrity as that required of APS employees. The key underlying principles of such conduct are:

- to act in accordance with the local law and applicable Australian law;
- to deal equitably, honestly and in a professional manner with both the public and colleagues;
- to ensure there is no real or apparent conflict of interest; and
- to ensure professional or personal behaviour does not bring the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate, Business Office or Australia into disrepute.

The LES Code of Conduct at each DFAT-managed post is an expression of these principles.

3.4.2 The LES Code of Conduct at each DFAT-managed post applies to all LES employed by DFAT. The department is the employer of all LES at DFAT-managed posts, except for Austrade LES. Austrade has developed its own LES code of conduct, which is similar to DFAT's LES Code of Conduct.

3.4.3 The LES Code of Conduct is issued under the authority of HOM / HOP. Each post may vary its LES Code of Conduct according to local laws and customs. This allows posts to take into account variations in the legal and cultural context in which they operate while still maintaining the high standards of conduct and ethics that are expected from all staff in the department. The standard elements of the LES Code of Conduct are set out in section 3.4.10 of this Manual. The standard LES Code of Conduct is based on the principles contained in the APS Code of Conduct and the DFAT Code of Conduct for Overseas Service. LES may be assured that the same standards apply to both groups of employees. The LES Code of Conduct operates in conjunction with, and does not override or supersede, any agency-specific guidelines.

3.4.4 The LES Code of Conduct forms part of the conditions of employment of LES. LES employed by DFAT must read the LES Code of Conduct in place at their post and sign it on engagement with the post. This is to acknowledge that they have read and understood the LES Code of Conduct, and will abide by its contents. It may therefore be appropriate to have the LES Code of Conduct translated into the LES' native language where English is not the first language. SAOs must ensure that signed copies of the LES Code of Conduct are retained on posts' personnel files.

3.4.5 LES must maintain conduct consistent with the LES Code of Conduct as a condition of employment and should review the LES Code of Conduct regularly.

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3.4.6 Adherence to the LES Code of Conduct should be reinforced through the use of the standard management tools of communication, feedback and regular performance appraisal. Information on the core principles that form the basis of LES conditions of employment are found in [Locally Engaged Staff Management: A Better Practice Guide](#).

3.4.7 Interns and volunteers engaged by posts are also required to abide by the LES Code of Conduct in place at post. SAOs should ensure that they are provided a copy of the post's LES Code of Conduct when they begin their internships or volunteer work with post. Further advice on interns is found in Chapter 3.3.13 and Attachment I of [Locally Engaged Staff Management: A Better Practice Guide](#).

3.4.8 Spouses/partners of APS employees on posting who are employed as LES (including those who are themselves APS employees on leave without pay) must comply with the LES Code of Conduct in place at their post. However, this does not absolve such LES employees from the responsibility of complying with the relevant sections of the [DFAT Code of Conduct for Overseas Service](#) (so far as it applies to them as spouses/partners or as APS employees on leave without pay) or from complying with the APS Values and Employment Principles and the APS Code of Conduct (so far as they apply to them as APS employees).

3.4.9 HOMs/HOPs and SAOs have an important responsibility to promote the LES Code of Conduct and to set the ethical example by their own conduct.

The Standard LES Code of Conduct

3.4.10 The standard LES Code of Conduct is as follows:

1. An employee must at all times behave in a way that upholds the integrity and good reputation of the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office.
2. An employee's personal behaviour, including his or her behaviour outside office hours, must not compromise the good reputation of Australia or the post.
3. An employee's dress and appearance should be in accordance with standards appropriate to his or her duties.
4. An employee should not be under the influence of alcohol, drugs or other prohibited or performance impairing substances in the workplace.
5. An employee must behave honestly and with integrity in connection with his or her employment with the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office.
6. An employee must not use his or her official position to influence improperly or try to influence colleagues or members of the public by giving or receiving gifts or by entering into financial or other arrangements with them.
7. An employee must act with care and diligence in connection with his or her employment with the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office.

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8. In his or her duties an employee must:

- be fair and impartial;
- give persons likely to be affected by a decision an opportunity to have their case considered;
- be prompt;
- explain the reasons for action/decisions; and
- at all times act according to local law and applicable Australian law.

9. An employee, when acting in connection with his or her employment with the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office, must treat members of the public and colleagues with respect and courtesy, and without coercion or harassment of any kind.

10. An employee must:

- treat members of the public and colleagues equitably and fairly, regardless of their sex, marital status, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, disability or religious beliefs or any other similar ground;
- be professional and courteous at all times; and
- provide assistance to the public and to help them understand their entitlements and obligations.

11. An employee must comply with any lawful and reasonable direction given by a person in Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office who has the authority to give the direction.

12. Employees are at all times subject to the authority of the HOM/HOP and the staff member in charge of the section in which they are employed.

13. The relevant A-based or LES supervisor has the primary responsibility for ensuring that the required standards of conduct and work performance are met and maintained by LES.

14. An employee must maintain appropriate confidentiality including about information obtained during the course of his or her employment.

15. An employee must not disclose official information to any person unless authorised to do so in connection with his or her duties.

16. An employee must not misuse information obtained in connection with his or her duties, including taking advantage of another person on the basis of information held about the person in official records.

17. An employee must disclose, and take reasonable steps to avoid, any conflict of interest, either real or apparent, in connection with his or her employment in the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office, including in relation to any outside employment and/or business activities.

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18. An employee must seek and obtain the permission of the HOM/HOP before engaging in outside employment.
19. The HOM/HOP may not grant permission to engage in outside employment which is incompatible with the employee's duties on behalf of the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office.
20. An employee who has an interest, financial or otherwise, including in respect of family and friends, that could conflict with the proper performance of his or her duties must disclose this interest to his or her supervisor and take whatever action is necessary to avoid that conflict.
21. An employee must use the resources of the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office in a proper manner.
22. An employee must be scrupulous in the use of official money, human and other resources.
23. An employee is required to avoid waste or extravagance in the use of the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office's resources.
24. An employee has a responsibility to care for and maintain Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office property.
25. The property of the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office is to be used for official purposes only, and is to be used efficiently and effectively.
26. An employee must not, in connection with his or her employment in the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office, provide false or misleading information in response to a request for information that is made for official purposes.
27. An employee is expected to exercise reasonable care in giving written or oral information or advice and take reasonable steps to ensure that the information provided is accurate.
28. Where there are doubts about the reliability of information this should be checked with a supervisor.
29. Where the information being given is of an interim or conditional nature, this should be made clear.
30. An employee must not make improper use of inside information, or the employee's duties, status, power or authority in order to gain, or seek to gain, a benefit or advantage for the employee, or for any other person, including the acceptance of gifts, benefits, sponsored travel, hospitality, accommodation, hire car costs and entertainment.
31. These restrictions also apply to the families of employees, where the gift or benefit is a direct result of the official duties of the employee.

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32. Gifts or benefits should generally not be accepted. In cases where not accepting the gift or benefit would cause offence to an extent that could adversely affect Australia's interests, a gift or benefit can be accepted only with the written approval of the HOM/HOP. Otherwise, the gift or benefit must be refused or returned.

33. If in doubt about whether or not to accept a gift or benefit, the matter should be discussed with the employee's A-based supervisor.

34. A bribe is a gift given or offer made with the intention of influencing an employee to take or not to take a specific action. An employee who is found to have accepted a bribe will be subject to disciplinary action, including possible dismissal.

35. Money must never be accepted as a gift.

36. An employee in connection with his or her employment at the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office must not promise, offer or give any bribe to colleagues with the aim of influencing a decision or influencing a colleague to commit misconduct or fraud.

37. An employee must not promise, offer or give any bribe to colleagues connected with management, disbursement or collection of Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office funds with the intent of influencing a decision or action on any question or matter related to their functions, or influencing them to commit, aid or abet in committing any fraud.

38. An employee must not engage in deceitful actions aimed at gaining a benefit or avoiding a liability.

39. An employee must not engage in fraudulent conduct. This includes deceitful or other dishonest conduct, involving acts of omission or the making of false statements, orally or in writing, with the object of obtaining money or other benefit, or of evading liability, from the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate or Business Office.

40. In particular, employees who are entrusted with the handling of Embassy, High Commission, Consulate, or Business Office funds or property must not:

- accept any compensation or reward in connection with the performance of their duties other than their prescribed salary and entitlements;
- conspire or collude with any other person to defraud;
- permit or condone any violation of the law by any person;
- wilfully make or sign any false entry on any document or wilfully make or sign any false certificate or return; or
- demand, accept or attempt to collect directly or indirectly, for themselves or others, as payment or gift any sum of money, any benefit or any other thing of value.

41. An employee must comply with any other requirement that is prescribed by the Embassy, High Commission, Consulate, or Business Office.

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42. An employee who is found to have breached this Code will be subject to disciplinary action, including possible dismissal.

43. The rules for conduct which apply to employees are explained in detail in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Conduct and Ethics Manual, as amended from time to time. The Manual is available on SATIN Low or from the SAO.

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Question No 128

Program: DFAT

Topic: Fee for services

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Have any existing services provided by the department / agency moved from being free to a user-pay service? Have any additional fees been placed on existing services? If yes please provide a list and include:*
- 2. Name of the fee and a short description of what it covers.*
- 3. How much is the fee (and is it a flat fee or a percentage of the service).*
- 4. The date the fee came into place.*
- 5. Were any reviews requested, commenced or complemented into the benefits and drawbacks of attaching the fee to the service? If yes, please detail and provide a copy of the review.*
- 6. What consultation was carried out before the fee was put into place?*
- 7. How was the fee put into place (e.g. through legislation, regulation changes etc)?*
- 8. What justification is there for the fee?*

Answer

1. No.
2. to 8. Not applicable

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Question No 129

Program: DFAT

Topic: Correspondence to Ministerial Offices

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

- 1. Excluding policy or correspondence briefs, how many documents are provided to the Minister's office on a regular and scheduled basis? Including documents that are not briefs to the minister and do not require ministerial signature.***
- 2. List those documents, their schedule and their purpose (broken down by ministerial signature and office for noting documents)***
- 3. How are they transmitted to the office?***
- 4. What mode of delivery is used (hardcopy, email) for those documents?***
- 5. What level officer are they provided to in the minister's office?***

Answer

1-2. The department provides a number of regular reports to each Minister's offices (Foreign Affairs, Trade and Investment, International Development and the Pacific, and Tourism and International Education). These reports fall into two categories: forecasts of future workflow and reporting on past activities. In the former category, the department provides regular forecasts of likely policy submissions and upcoming events. Reporting on past activities includes both administrative reporting (such as on expenditure and the numbers of ministerial correspondence and submissions handled) as well as reporting on the department's progress in implementing key ministerial commitments.

3, 4 and 5. These regular reports are transmitted by classified or unclassified email (as appropriate). The audience for these reports within ministers' offices varies, depending upon the nature of the report.

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Question No 130

Program: DFAT

Topic: Merchandise/promotional material

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has the department purchased any merchandise or promotional material?*
- 2. List by item, and purpose for each item, including if the material is for a specific policy or program or for a generic purpose (note that purpose)*
- 3. List the cost for each item*
- 4. List the quantity of each item*
- 5. Who suggested these material be created?*
- 6. Who approved its creation?*
- 7. Provide copies of authorisation*
- 8. When was the Minister informed of the material being created?*
- 9. Who created the material?*
- 10. How was that person selected?*
- 11. How many individuals or groups were considered in selecting who to create the material?*

Answer

Promotional and merchandise materials are decentralised and managed and budgeted by individual work units in Canberra, across 95 posts overseas and by seven state and territory offices, according to their varying requirements. Aggregating their costs across all DFAT offices, both overseas and in Australia, would represent an unreasonable diversion of resources.

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Question No 131

Program: DFAT

Topic: Website domain

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Please provide a breakdown of the domain usage for the 50 most utilised (by data sent and received), unique (internet) domains accessed by the minister's office. Please provide:

A. Domain name of the website being accessed (or IP address if the Domain is unavailable in the tracking system).

B. Amount of data downloaded and uploaded to the site.

C. Number of times the site was accessed.

Answer

The department does not capture domain usage statistics. Many domains automatically generate secondary associations or links to social media, advertising and 'like' domains. For example, a user opening an online news domain that enables articles to be shared by social media will automatically have background links established with Facebook and Twitter without the user being aware of the association. A review of a user's domain logs would indicate the user had accessed social media when they had only accessed a news site. Moreover, users accessing domains that store video and image data in third-party content servers would be recorded as downloading data from the third-party content server, rather than the domain they visited.

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Question No 132

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial website

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How much has been spent on the Minister's website?

A. List each item of expenditure and cost

2. Who is responsible for uploading information to the Minister's website?

3. Have any departmental staff been required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Minister's website? Please detail.

Answer

1. No money has been spent on Ministers' websites since 14 September 2015.
A. N/A.
2. An Online Communications Section is responsible for managing the DFAT and Ministerial websites, DFAT social media accounts, and the DFAT intranet.
3. No.

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Question No 133

Program: DFAT

Topic: Departmental reports printed

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Have any reports, budget papers, statements, white papers or report-like documents printed for or by the department been pulped, put in storage, shredded or disposed of?

2. If so please give details; name of report, number of copies, cost of printing, who order the disposal, reason for disposal

Answer

1. The department does not maintain centralised records on the storage or disposal of printed reports and similar documents. Both classified and unclassified documents are stored or disposed of within the work area that is in possession of them. Classified reports to be disposed of are either shredded or placed into special classified waste bins located throughout the department for destruction. Unclassified printed reports are recycled.
2. Printed reports are typically disposed of when they become out of date or no longer relevant to the day to day operations of the department.

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Question No 134

Program: DFAT

Topic: FOIs

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many requests for documents under the FOI Act have been received?*
- 2. Of these, how many documents have been determined to be deliberative documents?*
- 3. Of those assessed as deliberative documents:*
 - A. For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest?*
 - B. For how many has a redacted document been provided?*

Answer

Statistical information on the FOI requests that the Department receives, broken down by quarter, is available on the data.gov.au website at <https://data.gov.au/dataset/freedom-of-information-statistics> . Information for the first two quarters of FY 2015/16 has been reported to OAIC, and will be published by them on the data.gov.au website following their internal processes. This will include information on the number of requests received from 1 October 2015, and the number of times the Department has claimed an exemption under section 47C (deliberative processes) of the FOI Act.

In relation to questions 2 and 3, the Department is only required to report when the conditional exemption under section 47C (deliberative processes) is applied. As section 47C is a conditional exemption, the exemption is only claimed if the public interest test is met. The Department does not keep statistics on situations where material has been determined to be deliberative matter, but does not meet the public interest test as in such cases the exemption has not been claimed.

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In relation to question 3(b), the Department keeps statistics, and reports these statistics to OAIC, on when documents have been provided in part. The Department does not keep statistics on whether a document exempted under section 47C has been exempted in full or provided in part. Identifying this would require manual interrogation of requests, and would be an unreasonable diversion of the Department's resources.

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Question No 135

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial Motor vehicles

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has the minister been provided with or had access to a motor vehicle?
If so:*
 - A. What is the make and model?*
 - B. How much did it cost?*
 - C. When was it provided?*
 - D. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?*
 - E. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.*
 - F. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?*
 - G. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle.*
 - H. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.*
 - I. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a minister is to use a motor vehicle they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.*
 - J. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.*

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Answer

1. As Minister for Trade and Investment, Mr Robb was provided with a leased vehicle. This arrangement ended when Mr Robb concluded his ministerial role. No other current DFAT ministers have been provided with a motor vehicle.

A. Ford Territory Mk II.

B. \$47,166.80.

C. 28 August 2015.

D-F. As the vehicle is leased, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade meets only the operating and lease costs of the vehicle. Since 14 September 2015, DFAT has paid \$7,573.45 in operating and lease costs.

G-J. Ministerial and Parliamentary Services in the Department of Finance issues guidelines relating to ministerial entitlements. Part 4 of the Members of State Entitlements Handbook (Travel) provides guidance on appropriate use of a long-term self-drive vehicle. The Handbook was last updated in January 2015 and has not changed during the specified period.

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Question No 136

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial staff motor vehicles (non MOP)

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

1. *Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle? If so:*
 - A. *What is the make and model?*
 - B. *How much did it cost?*
 - C. *When was it provided?*
 - D. *Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?*
 - E. *What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.*
 - F. *Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?*
 - G. *Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.*
 - H. *Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.*
 - I. *Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.*
 - J. *Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.*

Answer

No.

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Question No 137

Program: DFAT

Topic: Lobbyist Register

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. List all interactions between the department/agency with any representative listed on the lobbyist register*
- 2. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting*
- 3. List all interactions between the Minister/parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with any representative listed on the lobbyist register during the specified period. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting*

Answer

1. The Department does not have, and is not required to maintain, a list including all interactions with individual lobbyists listed on the Register of Lobbyists maintained by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.
2. See answer to 1.
3. Details of meetings attended by Ministers are a question for Ministers.

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Question No 138

Program: DFAT

Topic: Workplace assessments

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments?***
 - A. *List each item of expenditure and cost***
- 2. *Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up?***
- 3. *If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes***

Answer

1. Total expenditure on workplace ergonomic assessments for the period 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016 is \$25,480.45

A. Monthly totals are as follows:

September 2015	47 assessments	\$8,540.00
October 2015	20 assessments	\$3,680.00
November 2015	35 assessments	\$6,335.45
December 2015	13 assessments	\$2,280.00
January 2016	27 assessments	\$4,645.00

Note: individual costs vary depending on the duration and complexity of the assessment.

2. Assessments, not related to an existing disability, have resulted in changes to workplace equipment or setup.

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3. To breakdown each item of expenditure and costs related to changes following each workstation assessment would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.

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Question No 139

Program: DFAT

Topic: FOI statistics

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How many FOI requests were received to date.*
- 2. How many of those requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act?*
- 3. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act?*
- 4. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act?*
- 5. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?*

Answer

Statistical information on the FOI requests that the Department receives, broken down by quarter, is published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) on the data.gov.au website at <https://data.gov.au/dataset/freedom-of-information-statistics> . Information for the first two quarters of FY 2015/16 has been reported to OAIC, and will be published by them on that website following their internal processes. This will include information on the number of requests received from 1 October 2015, and the number of FOI requests that were/were not finalised within the statutory timeframes.

There is no requirement to report to OAIC on the other FOI statistics requested by Senator Ludwig (questions 3 and 4: when extensions were granted under sections 15AA or 15AB of the FOI Act). Consequently, the Department does not compile those statistics and such a compilation would require an unreasonable diversion of the Department's resources.

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Question No 140

Program: DFAT

Topic: Multiple tenders

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times:*
- 2. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times?*
- 3. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued?*
- 4. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?*

Answer

1. No open tenders have been reissued or issued multiple times on AusTender since 14 September, 2015.
2. N/A
3. N/A
4. N/A

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Question No 141

Program: DFAT

Topic: Market research

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. List any market research conducted by the department/agency:**
 - A. List the total cost of this research**
 - B. List each item of expenditure and cost, broken down by division and program**
 - C. Who conducted the research?**
 - D. How were they identified?**
 - E. Where was the research conducted?**
 - F. In what way was the research conducted?**
 - G. Were focus groups, round tables or other forms of research tools used?**
 - H. How were participants for these focus groups et al selected?**
 - I. How was the firm or individual that conducted the review selected?**
 - J. What input did the Minister have?**
 - K. How was it approved?**
 - L. Were other firms or individuals considered? If yes, please detail.**

Answer

- A. \$74,020.**
- B. \$69,020 in two payments to conduct benchmarking and tracking research to evaluate the effectiveness of the Smartraveller advertising campaign in the Consular and Crisis Management Division (CCD); and**

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\$5,000 in one payment for Milestone 4 Final Report of an analysis of philanthropic funding flows in the Asia Pacific region to inform Aid programming by Tulodo Australia Pty Ltd for the Multilateral Development and Partnerships Division.

Due to the insignificance of the latter payment, the following questions have been answered for the Smartraveller market research only.

- C. Ipsos Public Affairs Pty Ltd.
- D. Through a whole-of-government panel (Communications Multi-Use List held by Department of Finance).
- E. Ipsos is based in Sydney. They conducted the research via online surveys with participants from across Australia, representative of the population.
- F. Ipsos conducted the research via online surveys.
- G. No, Ipsos conducted the research via online surveys.
- H. Ipsos uses its own recruitment methods.
- I. Through a whole-of-government panel (Communications Multi-Use List held by Department of Finance).
- J. As the sponsoring Minister for the Smartraveller campaign, the Foreign Minister attends the Service Delivery Coordination Committee meetings on behalf of the department when the Committee considers the campaign.
- K. Selection of the agency was approved by FAS CCD.
- L. Yes. A procurement process was conducted involving four research firms identified from the Communications Multi-Use List. The procurement process was conducted in line with Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines.

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Question No 142

Program: DFAT

Topic: DFAT - Upgrades

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

Has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities?

- A. If so, list these*
- B. If so, list the total cost for these changes*
- C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure*
- D. If so, who conducted the works?*
- E. If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works*
- F. If so, when are the works expected to be completed?*

Answer

- A.
 - a. Rationalisation of Data Centre power supply
 - b. Upgrade to controller for fan control units RG Casey Building
 - c. Tasmania State and Hobart Passport office renovation and tenancy expansion
 - d. Northern Territory and Darwin Passport office renovation
 - e. Brisbane passport office public area renovation
 - f. Merge and refit of Cabinet Liaison Office DFAT Canberra
 - g. Replacement and rationalisation of Computer Room Air Conditioning
 - h. Fitout of the Passport Production centre, Craigieburn
 - i. Fitout of the backup Passport Production centre, Epping
- B. \$8,912,427.82
- C.
 - a. The project is ongoing. Expenditure to date is \$146.335.00
 - b. The project is ongoing. Expenditure to date is \$608.545.75

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- c. \$644,681.09
 - d. \$995,358.32
 - e. \$698,219.25
 - f. The project is ongoing. Expenditure to date is \$163,548.18
 - g. \$276,765.23
 - h. \$1,989,808
 - i. The project is ongoing. Expenditure to date is \$2,683,970.91
- D. Projects a to g were managed by the Departments outsourced property services company, Cushman Wakefield. Projects h and i are being managed by Crosier Scott and Associates.
- E. Cushman Wakefield is the contracted property services company whose contract provides for provision of project management services. Crosier Scott and Associates were selected through a competitive tender process.
- F.
- a. July 2016
 - b. June 2016
 - c. complete
 - d. complete
 - e. complete
 - f. May 2016
 - g. Complete
 - h. Complete
 - i. June 2016

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 143

Program: DFAT

Topic: Wine coolers / Fridges

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any new wine coolers, or wine fridges or other devices for the purpose of housing alcohol beverages, including Eskies?***
 - A. If so, list these***
 - B. If so, list the total cost for these items***
 - C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure***
 - D. If so, where were these purchased***
 - E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased***
 - F. If so, what is the current location for these items?***
 - G. If so, what is the current stocking level for each of these items?***

Answer

1. No

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 144

Program: DFAT

Topic: Office plants

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *Has the department/agency purchased or leased any office plants?***
 - A. *If so, list these***
 - B. *If so, list the total cost for these items***
 - C. *If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure***
 - D. *If so, where were these purchased***
 - E. *If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased***
 - F. *If so, what is the current location for these items?***

Answer

Information on DFAT expenditure on new office plants is not separately recorded. To provide details of new plants that have been purchased or leased would entail an unreasonable diversion of resources.

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Question No 145

Program: DFAT

Topic: Office recreational facilities

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *Has the department/agency purchased or leased or constructed any office recreation facilities, activities or games (including but not limited to pool tables, table tennis tables or others)?***
 - A. *If so, list these***
 - B. *If so, list the total cost for these items***
 - C. *If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure***
 - D. *If so, where were these purchased***
 - E. *If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased***
 - F. *If so, what is the current location for these items?***
 - G. *If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?***

Answer

1. No

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 146

Program: DFAT

Topic: DFAT leases

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department?*
- 2. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by:*
 - A. Date the lease agreement is active from.*
 - B. Date the lease agreement ends.*
 - C. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not?*
 - D. Location of the building (City and state).*
 - E. Cost of the lease.*
 - F. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.*
- 3. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed during the specified period. Please detail by:*
 - A. Date from which the lease agreement was active.*
 - B. Date the lease agreement ended.*
 - C. Why was the lease not renewed?*
 - D. Location of the building (City and state).*
 - E. Cost of the lease.*
 - F. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department.*
- 4. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by:*

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- A. Date the lease agreement is expected to become active.**
 - B. Date the lease agreement is expected to end.**
 - C. Expected location of the building (City and state).**
 - D. Expected cost of the lease.**
 - E. Has this cost been allocated into the budget?**
 - F. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.**
- 5. For each building owned or leased by the department:**
- A. What is the current occupancy rate for the building?**
 - B. If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.**

Answer

- 1. \$12,716,607.84 (14/9/15 to 11/2/16).**
- 2.**

RG Casey Building, John McEwan Cr, Barton, ACT

- A. 25 April 1998.**
- B. Upon signing of the new lease, expected to be 1 April 2016. The new lease is for 15 years with 2 x 5-year options.**
- C. Yes**
- D. Canberra, Australian Capital Territory**
- E. \$19,845,181 per annum**
- F. Headquarters of the Department: core, support, executive and ministerial support functions.**

255 London Cct, Civic, ACT

- A. 4 Oct 2010.**
- B. 3 Oct 2027.**
- C. Unknown at this stage**
- D. Canberra, Australian Capital Territory**
- E. \$4,727,405.54 per annum.**
- F. To accommodate core and support functions.**

20 Allara St, Civic, ACT (L10 & 12)

- A. 1 Dec 2009 (L10); 1 Dec 2011 (L12).**
- B. 30 June 2021 (L10); 30 June 2018 (L12).**
- C. Unknown at this stage**
- D. Canberra, Australian Capital Territory**

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E. \$373,799.50 per annum (L10); \$348,945.84 (L12).

F. To accommodate core and support functions.

40 Allara St, Civic, ACT

A. 1 August 2011

B. 30 June 2020.

C. Unknown at this stage

D. Canberra, Australian Capital Territory

E. \$1,268,398.80 per annum.

F. To accommodate core and support functions.

44 Sydney Avenue, Barton, ACT

A. 1 June 2014 (G & part L2); 1 October 2015 (part L2); 1 March 2016 (L1).

B. 31 May 2017 with 2 x 2-year options (G & part L2); 31 May 2017 with 1 x 2-year option (part L2); 31 May 2021 no options (L1).

C. Unknown at this time

D. Canberra, Australian Capital Territory.

E. \$2,048,497.04 per annum.

F. To accommodate core and support functions.

123 Pitt St, Sydney (L10)

A. 1 August 2011

B. 31 July 2017 with 1 x 3-year option

C. Yes (i.e. the option is likely to be exercised)

D. Sydney New South Wales

E. \$515,732.29 per annum

F. New South Wales State Office functions.

26 Lee St, Sydney, NSW (L7 & 8)

A. 1 November 2007

B. 31 October 2017

C. Unknown at this stage

D. Sydney New South Wales

E. \$910,185.29 per annum

F. Passport office functions

Sydney International Airport, Mascot, NSW

A. 1 March 2013.

B. 28 February 2018.

C. Yes

D. Sydney, New South Wales

E. \$39,711.60 per annum.

F. Support safehand mail functions.

77-19 Hunter St, Newcastle, NSW (L1)

A. 1 June 2012.

B. 31 May 2016 but extended by 3 months by agreement.

C. **Unknown at this stage.**

D. Newcastle, New South Wales

E. \$85,263.93 per annum.

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F. *Newcastle Passport Office.*

55 Collins St, Melbourne, Vic (L14)

- A. *1 November 2014*
- B. *30 October 2024*
- C. *Unknown at this time*
- D. *Melbourne, Victoria*
- E. *\$299,637.18 per annum*
- F. *Victoria State Office functions.*

747 Collins St Melbourne, Vic (L2)

- A. *1 April 2014. This is a sub-lease/MOU arrangement with Australian Taxation Office.*
- B. *31 March 2027.*
- C. *Unknown at this stage*
- D. *Melbourne, Victoria*
- E. *\$1,313,375.11 per annum*
- F. *Melbourne Passport Office functions.*

Craigieburn, Vic

- A. *20 July 2015.*
- B. *1 November 2023.*
- C. *Unknown at this stage*
- D. *Melbourne, Victoria*
- E. *\$293,688 per annum*
- F. *Australian Passport Office functions.*

Epping, Vic

- A. *13 October 2015.*
- B. *12 April 2025.*
- C. *Unknown at this stage*
- D. *Melbourne, Victoria*
- E. *\$85,000 per annum*
- F. *Australian Passport Office functions.*

111 Macquarie St, Hobart, TAS (L1)

- A. *1 May 2013 with small expansion 1 April 2015*
- B. *30 April 2023 with 2 x 5-year options*
- C. *Unknown at this time*
- D. *Hobart, Tasmania*
- E. *\$165,960 per annum*
- F. *Tasmanian State Office and Hobart Passport Office functions.*

2 The Esplanade, Perth, WA (L17)

- A. *14 December 2012*
- B. *13 December 2017 (no options remain)*
- C. *Unknown at this time*
- D. *Perth, Western Australia*
- E. *\$753,109.42 per annum*
- F. *Western Australian State Office and Passport office functions.*

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55 Currie St, Adelaide, SA (L5)

- A. 1 March 2013
- B. 28 February 2018 with 1 x 5-year option.
- C. Unknown at this time
- D. Adelaide, South Australia
- E. \$272,086.81 per annum.
- F. South Australia State Office and Adelaide Passport Office functions.

150 Charlotte St, Brisbane, QLD (L16 & 17)

- A. 1 July 2012.
- B. 30 June 2022
- C. Unknown at this time
- D. Brisbane, Queensland
- E. \$988,244 per annum
- F. Queensland State Office and Brisbane Passport Office functions.

4 Victoria Pde, Thursday Island, QLD

- A. 1 March 2012
- B. 28 February 2017.
- C. Yes
- D. Thursday Island, Queensland
- E. \$36,703.56
- F. Torres Strait Treaty Liaison Officer functions, Torres Strait passport office.

22 Mitchell St, Darwin, NT (L5)

- A. 1 May 2013
- B. 30 April 2023
- C. Unknown at this time
- D. Darwin, Northern Territory
- E. \$172,065.60 per annum
- F. Northern Territory Office and Darwin Passport Office functions.

3. Nil.

4. Nil.

5.

- A. 100%

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Question No 147

Program: DFAT

Topic: Advertising

Question in Writing

Senator Ludwig

Question

All (Including government corporations) Government advertising/marketing since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. *How much has been spent by the department on marketing?***
 - A. *List the total cost***
 - B. *List each item of expenditure and cost***
 - C. *List the approving officer for each item.***
 - D. *Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.***
 - E. *Which firm provided the marketing?***
- 2. *How much has been spent by the department on government advertising (including job ads)?***
 - A. *List the total cost***
 - B. *List each item of expenditure and cost***
 - C. *Where the advertising appeared***
 - D. *List the approving officer for each item.***
 - E. *Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.***
 - F. *Detail the outlets that were paid for the advertising.***
- 3. *What government advertising is planned for the rest of the financial year?***

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- A. *List the total expected cost.***
 - B. *List each item of expenditure and cost.***
 - C. *Where the advertising will appear***
 - D. *List the approving officer for each item.***
 - E. *Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.***
 - F. *Detail the outlets that have been or will be paid for the advertising.***
- 4. *Provide copies of approvals for advertising, including but not limited to, approvals made by the Prime Minister or his delegate, the Minister or their delegate, or the Department or their delegate.***

Answer

1&2. Between 14 September 2015 to 29 February 2016, the department has spent approximately \$2.76 million on government advertising. This includes advertising for job vacancies (mainly overseas locally engaged staff positions), Smartraveller, white pages and other public notices. The above figure includes a large number of transactions and it would entail significant diversion of resources to collate and report individual transaction details. In the circumstances, we do not consider that additional work can be justified.

3. The department's planned government advertising expenditure from 1 March 2016 to 30 June 2016 is \$1.08 million. Details and breakup of costs are maintained on individual files across the department's domestic and overseas network. To provide these details would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.

4. To provide these details would entail a significant diversion of resources and, in these circumstances, we do not consider the additional work can be justified.

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Program: DFAT

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: My next point was: did DFAT have any involvement in that trip, and in the Singapore leg of the trip?

Mr Varghese: I would have to take on notice whether we had any involvement in the Singapore leg of the trip, given it was an official visit by the minister. The embassy in Beijing would not have had—and I am conscious that I am using the word 'would'—any involvement at the Beijing end because it was not aware that Mr Robert was—

Senator WONG: I assume if it was official business he would have received facilitation at Changi et cetera or however he flew in. Presumably through that DFAT became aware at least of the fact that he had been in China—that is, that he was arriving in Singapore from Beijing, not from Sydney. Could you take that on notice?

Mr Varghese: Sure. I will take that on notice.

Answer

Mr Stuart arrived in Singapore to undertake official business as a member of the Australian delegation for the Singapore-Australia Joint Ministerial Committee meeting, also attended by Ms Bishop and Mr Robb.

The High Commission in Singapore was aware that Mr Roberts would arrive in Singapore from Beijing, based on the need to ascertain his arrival time and flight number to assist facilitation.

No DFAT staff were present when Mr Stuart arrived at Changi Airport. Mr Stuart's arrival was facilitated by representatives of the Singapore Government and the Australian Department of Defence.

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: People still think you are representing even if you have paid for your own trip. I am just going to outline what I understand to be the process and check with you that my understanding is correct. Where ministers seek travel approval, a letter is written to the Prime Minister's office. The Prime Minister then approves it. Is DFAT advised at all, through that travel approval process, of the fact of travel—non-portfolio ministers?

Mr Varghese: In relation to non-portfolio ministers, the way the system works is that once the Prime Minister has approved travel the relevant department would be in touch with DFAT, and sometimes directly in touch with the post, to put in place arrangements for the visit.

Senator WONG: Did that occur in relation to the Beijing to Singapore leg of Mr Robert's visit?

Mr Varghese: I would have to take that on notice.

Answer

DFAT was advised by the Department of Defence that Mr Robert would visit Singapore to attend the Singapore-Australia Joint Ministerial Committee meeting instead of then-Defence Minister, Senator Johnston.

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: Can you tell me how that advice was provided?

Mr Fletcher: By email.

Senator WONG: I would like a copy of that email, please.

Mr Varghese: Can I take that on notice. I think we are talking about a Defence email.

Senator WONG: But it is a document that you hold because you received it.

Mr Varghese: Can I take that on notice. It is not our document is all I am saying.

...

Senator WONG: Did the email express any surprise that they were not advised?

Mr Fletcher: I will have to check. I will take that on notice.

Answer

- A. Since the email is a Defence email, and consistent with the Government guidelines for official witnesses, the request for a copy should be directed to the Department of Defence.
- B. The email does not express any surprise.

-----Original Message-----

From: Hayhurst, Justin
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 05:29 PM AUS Eastern Standard Time
To: Adamson, Frances; Robertson, Jason; Meehan, Graeme
Subject: FW: Assistant MINDEF visit to Beijing Aug 14 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
info

Justin Hayhurst 韩家思
Deputy Head of Mission
Australian Embassy Beijing
Tel: 86-10-51404149

From: Monterola, Simon
Sent: Tuesday, 26 August 2014 3:20 PM
To: Jarvis, Ben
Cc: Hayhurst, Justin
Subject: FW: Assistant MINDEF visit to Beijing Aug 14 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Ben,

Advice just received from Assistant Minister Robert's office is that he travelled to China last week on personal travel (holiday), and appears that he caught up with Wang Jionghui as a personal acquaintance.

Interesting that there was a reference to this 'visit' in Chinese media, doesn't appear to have been Mr Robert's intention.

Regards,

Simon

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From: Todd, Victoria MS [<mailto:victoria.todd@defence.gov.au>]
Sent: Tuesday, 26 August 2014 2:40 PM
To: Monterola, Simon
Cc: Avakian, Garbis MR; zz [External] alexandra.kelton@defence.gov.au; Birrer, Chris MR
Subject: Assistant MINDEF visit to Beijing Aug 14 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

UNCLASSIFIED

Hi Simon,

Thanks for your query this morning on the Chinese media reporting on Assistant MINDEF's visit to Beijing earlier this month. The Minister's office has provided the below information confirming his travel to China while on personal leave and the discussions in which he took part.

It doesn't appear there was any Defence engagement related discussion during the visit.

Of course, we'd advise a limited distribution of this email chain.

Thanks and best,

Tory

Victoria Todd
International Policy Division
E victoria.todd@defence.gov.au

From: Comer, Elyssa MS
Sent: Tuesday, 26 August 2014 16:23
To: Todd, Victoria MS
Subject: FW: Update on Beijing [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
UNCLASSIFIED
Hi Victoria,

As discussed, please find below as requested.

Kind regards,

Elyssa Comer | Departmental Liaison Officer

Office of the Hon Stuart Robert MP
Assistant Minister for Defence
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From: McKellar, Robert MR
Sent: Tuesday, 26 August 2014 16:20
To: Comer, Elyssa MS
Subject: FW: Update on Beijing [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
UNCLASSIFIED
Elyssa

I trust that this will assist IP with any questions relating to Minister Robert's recent personal travel to China.

Robert McKellar

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From: Robert, Sr MR

Sent: Tuesday, 26 August 2014 16:14

To: McKellar, Robert MR

Subject: Update on Beijing [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Rob,

Please let IP Division know that in Beijing I caught up with Mr Jiong Hui Wang, whom I had met previously in Australia and hosted dinner for in Parliament. Interestingly, he indicated that he was best friends with President Xi's Chief of Staff.

Jiong Hui introduced me to a number of his colleagues including Mr Zhou Zhongshu (Member of the 12th CPPCC National Committee) and Vice Minister for Mining and Lands (and head of the China geological survey), Vice Minister Wang. Conversation centred around mining and access and thus I spent most of my time talking about how Australia is open for business, how we are welcoming exploration and the success of Prime Minister Abbott's recent visit with the business delegation to China. I have subsequently briefed Minister Macfarlane, as Vice Minister Wang was recently in Australia in June and spoke highly of Minister Macfarlane.

Importantly I played golf poorly, visited Chairman Mao lying in State and spent some quality time on the Great Wall, in the Summer Palace and in the Temple of Heaven.

Stuart Robert MP

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: *So you have not checked whether or not once DFAT was advised that a minister was wandering around China having meetings with a vice-minister—you get advised a week later whether your post did anything? Did they report it? Did they put it in a cable?*

Mr Varghese: *Sorry. Did they report that they had received advice about the visit?*

Senator WONG: *Yes. Did they report anything about the visit? Did they say, 'Mr Robert, a member of the Australia executive, has met with a senior official in China. We weren't aware of it, nobody attended and we are not sure about what happened at the meeting.'*

Mr Varghese: *I will take on notice whether there was any such report. Given that the information came from the Department of Defence and the minister was in that portfolio, I am not sure that reporting back to Canberra something that Canberra had reported to them would have made a whole lot of sense, but I am willing to take it on notice.*

...

Senator WONG: *Did the post report it to you or one of your—*

Mr Varghese: *No, I said I would take on notice whether they did or they did not.*

Senator WONG: *You cannot remember?*

Mr Varghese: *No.*

Senator WONG: *Anybody at dep-sec level or the SES level advise that a minister had a meeting that nobody knew about and nobody had attended?*

Mr Varghese: *Let me take it on notice, because the relevant division head is not aware of it and I am not aware of it, so I think—*

Answer

On 26 August 2014 the Department of Defence sent an email to defence staff at the Embassy in Beijing advising them of Mr Robert's visit the previous week. Defence staff at post forwarded the email message to DFAT staff in the Embassy, who then on-forwarded it to DFAT's North Asia Division in Canberra, all on 26 August.

Having been informed of Mr Robert's visit, DFAT did not pursue the matter further.

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Senator Conroy & Wong

Question

Senator CONROY: We have all seen from the photographs that have been reproduced in the Australian newspapers—and I appreciate you could not possibly watch every single company or their websites—was there any publicity around the meeting in Chinese media at the time that Mr Robert was in China? The next day, was there a photograph with their media? I understand, from the website of the company where the signing took place, they were very proud of it, and they published it very quickly. So I am just trying to understand: even though he may not have told you he was there, did anyone notice he was there through the Chinese media? I am presuming you do have a fairly comprehensive watch on Chinese media, although I appreciate, as I said, you would not have on every single company, but were there any announcements by the Chinese government of Mr Robert's parading around the country on behalf of Nimrod?

Mr Varghese: Can we take that on notice—whether there was any coverage in the Chinese media, and if so, whether the embassy was aware of it?

...

Senator WONG: I would be grateful if you could find that out and we could come back to this later today, given we are here until 11 o'clock tonight. Apropos Senator Conroy's question, there was a press release put out by the Chinese government about the meeting. Did that not come to the post's attention or to DFAT's attention at all?

Mr Varghese: Can I take that on notice as well?

Answer

Our embassy in Beijing became aware of a Chinese media report about the visit on 25 August 2014.

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: When did the foreign minister become aware of the assistant minister's visit?

Mr Varghese: I would have to take on notice whether the foreign minister became aware of it before this became an issue in the public domain, most recently.

...

Senator WONG: I ask the minister to tell us when the foreign minister or her office became aware of Mr Robert's visit to China and his meeting with the vice-minister?

Senator Colbeck: I will have to take that on notice.

Answer

Refer to page 85 of Hansard from Additional Estimates 2016.

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: Mr Varghese, can you tell me which passport the minister used?

Mr Varghese: I do not know, but I shall take that on notice as well.

...

Senator WONG: The press release to which I referred refers to Mr Robert and his delegation. Do you know who his delegation were?

Mr Varghese: I do not, Senator. I am happy to also take that on notice.

...

Senator WONG: When did Ms Adamson, who was the then ambassador, become aware of the visit?

Mr Varghese: I will take that on notice. But going back to the evidence we have already given you, Mr Fletcher indicated that on 26 August the Defence section was advised. I will take on notice whether Ambassador Adamson was also subsequently advised and, if so, whether she can recall when

...

Senator WONG: What inquiries have you made on the details of the meeting?

Mr Varghese: I will take that on notice.

Answer

A. DFAT does not hold information on what passport Mr Robert used for travel to China. Mr Robert used a diplomatic passport for travel to Singapore.

B. DFAT and Defence officials do not hold information on who accompanied Mr Robert to China.

C. Ambassador Adamson was advised via email from the Deputy Head of Mission on 26 August 2014.

D. The Secretary became aware of the details of Mr Robert's visit to China from media reporting in February 2016, at which point he confirmed with the Chargé that no one in the embassy was aware of Mr Robert's visit at the time.

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Topic: Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: Were you asked for advice in relation to any of the Rolexes which have been publicly disclosed now?

Mr Varghese: Not to my knowledge, but I am happy to take that on notice.

Answer

DFAT was not asked for advice in relation to any of the Rolexes.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Julian Assange

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Senator Ludlam

Question

Senator LUDLAM: *But Mr Assange's legal team cannot compel the Swedish authorities to question him. It is a very strange situation for them to be put in. I do not think they have the ability to compel prosecutors to question him. So actually they can let this run for another 20 years if they feel like it and the Australian government will just let that happen.*

Mr Philp: *There is a Swedish statute of limitations that would not allow it to continue for another 20 years.*

Senator LUDLAM: *How long this could this conceivably go for?*

Mr Philp: *I would have to take that on notice, but I believe until 2020.*

...

Senator LUDLAM: *It is not about interference; it is about advocacy for an Australian citizen. Every now and again, we do advocate for Australian citizens and every now and again we get results. Can anyone at the desk confirm whether Mr Assange is the first Australian citizen to be found to have been arbitrarily detained by the United Nations Working Group on Arbitrary Detention since it was founded in 1991?*

Mr Philp: *I cannot.*

Mr Varghese: *We will take it on notice.*

Answer

The remaining charge for which Mr Assange is being investigated has a statute of limitations of ten years, expiring on 17 August 2020.

Mr Ayman Ardenli, a dual Australian/Syrian national, lodged a complaint against the Syrian Government. In its opinion (number 8/2007, issued on 10 May 2007), the Working Group considered that Syria had arbitrarily detained Mr Ardenli.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial visits to Qatar

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Senator Gallacher

Question

Senator GALLACHER: Secretary, I think from your website brief there have been three ministerial visits to Qatar since 2011. Would that be correct? Mr Varghese: I would have to take that on notice.

Answer

The following Australian federal ministers have visited Qatar since 2011:

January 2016: Senator Richard Colbeck, Minister for Tourism and International Education and Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment.

April 2015: the Hon Andrew Robb AO MP, then Minister for Trade and Investment.

May 2013: Senator Bob Carr, then Minister for Foreign Affairs.

January 2012: Senator Joe Ludwig, then Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

December 2011: the Hon Kevin Rudd MP, then Minister for Foreign Affairs.

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Program: DFAT

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Senator Gallacher

Question

Senator GALLACHER: I have no issue with what the Office of Overseas Property has done. It has followed its instructions and has come up with its best assessment of the property. My question is back to the department. When the cost of that becomes known and when the built-in redundancy of floor space is known, who signed off on almost \$20 million worth of expenditure in Doha, when we have facilities in Dubai and Abu Dhabi? Where has this come from?

Mr Varghese: The decision to open a post in Doha was a government decision and sitting behind that was a judgement that we needed to extend our diplomatic footprint in that part of the world, given the economic and also some broader political issues that are now bigger in our relationship with the Middle East and with the emirates. Why we are doing Doha on top of the others reflects those judgements. If we cannot answer the question about who will sign off on the delegation when it is finally approved, I will take that on notice. We will give you an annualised figure for the rent.

Can I just make one other comment? I do not think you can necessarily, for the opening of a new post, take the square meterage and divide it by the number of employees and compare it to the average square meterage of a Public Service department in Canberra—

Answer

Paul Wood (Chief Financial Officer) and Keith Harmsworth (Acting Executive Director Overseas Property Office) signed the detailed business case for the Doha lease and fit-out costs.

Annualised rent figure:

Rent: QAR 2,480,940 AUD 870,506

5% increase scheduled for Years 4, 7, and 9 of the lease

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Senator Gallacher

Question

Senator GALLACHER: In respect to the other posts that are mentioned under that \$98.3 million, I would appreciate if you could give us, on notice, an assessment of what those costs are looking like.

Mr Varghese: Sure, we will take that on notice.

Answer

Refer to Question No 237.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Special Envoy for Human Rights

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Senator McEwen

Question

Senator McEWEN: I would like to ask some questions about the appointment of Mr Philip Ruddock as Special Envoy for Human Rights. This appointment was announced by the Prime Minister, the foreign minister and by Mr Ruddock himself on 8 February this year. When was Mr Ruddock first offered that position?

Mr Varghese: I would need to check with the foreign minister, because any discussions with Mr Ruddock would have been held not by the department but by the foreign minister.

Senator McEWEN: So you will take that on notice?

Mr Varghese: I will.

Senator McEWEN: Could you also either answer or take on notice when he accepted the offer of the position?

Mr Varghese: I will take that on notice, because it is linked to the first question.

Senator McEWEN: Do you know, Mr Varghese, whether there was anything in writing given to Mr Ruddock regarding the position?

Mr Varghese: I have not seen anything in writing. So I shall take that on notice.

Senator McEWEN: Do you know if there is any letter of appointment?

Mr Varghese: I have seen nothing in writing, so I will take it on notice.

Answer

The Department does not hold information on when the Foreign Minister discussed the appointment with Mr Ruddock. A formal letter from the Foreign Minister outlining the terms and conditions of the appointment was provided to Mr Ruddock.

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Senator McEwen

Question

Senator McEWEN: When you say 'designated', will he have some kind of formal letter or something saying: 'You are the Special Envoy for Human Rights of the Australian government'—is that what you mean?

Mr Varghese: Yes. I expect there will be formal correspondence to Mr Ruddock that sets that out. For instance, at an international conference there is always a delegates list that is put together and his entry will appear as Special Envoy for Human Rights.

Senator McEWEN: So you expect there to be formal correspondence setting out his actual status?

Mr Varghese: Yes and I will take on notice whether that has happened.

Answer

A formal letter from the Foreign Minister outlining the terms and conditions of the appointment was provided to Mr Ruddock.

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Senator McEwen

Question

CHAIR: *Can Mr Ruddock be paid for the other role whilst he is receiving a salary as a member of parliament?*

Senator Brandis: *It would depend on the arrangements, but, of course, ministers are paid a salary, and the component of a minister's salary which is their ministerial salary as opposed to their parliamentary salary is not treated as being a violation of section 44, because, although the source of the salary is the public purse, they are paid for being a minister. Now, I do not know what the arrangements with Mr Ruddock are.*

Senator McEWEN: *But they are appointed by the Governor-General, to be ministers, Mr Ruddock is appointed by the government.*

Senator Brandis: *That is not the point. All ministers are appointed by the Governor-General. If the arrangements in relation to Mr Ruddock put him in a position that is legally analogous to that of a minister receiving a ministerial salary, while obviously a member of parliament, that would not be problematic. Of course, after Mr Ruddock retires, then the issue does not arise. I am quite certain the appropriate arrangements to ensure that there is no section 44 issue will be made. But if you like I will take any further answer on notice and have it looked at.*

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Answer

As Mr Ruddock is not being remunerated for his work as Special Envoy for Human Rights, there is no section 44 issue.

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

RHIANNON: DFAT's 2015 to 2018 aid investment plan for Cambodia highlights a role of NGOs as 'important partners given their expertise, on-the-ground networks and experience working with local communities'. In light of this, has Cambodia's 2015 Law on Associations and Non-Governmental Organizations affected the status or operations of any of the NGOs or volunteer organisations we partner with?

Mr Chittick: More broadly, my understanding is that the law has not had a material impact on NGO activity in Cambodia at this stage, given that it relates largely to activities in election periods, but I will take it on notice to provide you with specific information on NGO partners of the Australian government.

Senator RHIANNON: You said 'material impact', so, when you take it on notice, could you identify any impacts at all, please.

Mr Chittick: I will.

Senator RHIANNON: Thank you. Has the government through the minister and/or the ambassador made representations to the Cambodian government regarding the potential negative impact of the law on Cambodia's development and civil society?

Mr Chittick: We have an ongoing discussion through our embassy and through visiting delegations with the government of Cambodia on a range of human rights issues. I do not have any specific information in my briefing about this specific aspect, so I am happy to take that specific aspect on notice, but we have an ongoing dialogue with the government of Cambodia on human rights issues more broadly.

Senator RHIANNON: Thank you. Could you take this specific issue on notice: are you aware of other international donors who may have made formal representations regarding this law?

Mr Chittick: I am aware through media reporting that a number of other donors have, including the European Union, but I do not have the full specific list with me, so I will be very happy to take that on notice.

Senator RHIANNON: Has Australia undertaken any formal reviews or evaluations about current assistance to Cambodia's electoral authorities?

Mr Chittick: Again, I have to take the specifics of that on notice.

Senator RHIANNON: Could you please set out, when you take it on notice, what has been achieved. The question was: has Australia undertaken any

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formal reviews or evaluations and, in that context, what has been achieved if they been undertaken?

Mr Chittick: I can refer you to the aid program performance report for Cambodia that is on our website. That presents detailed information on performance on all of our projects. Can you just bear with me for a moment.

Senator RHIANNON: So is it particularly about the work of Cambodia's electoral authorities?

Mr Chittick: Yes. I cannot find the specific reference at this stage. I will take that on notice.

Answer

Has Cambodia's 2015 Law on Associations and Non-Governmental Organizations affected the status or operations of any of the NGOs or volunteer organisations we partner with?

- . We have not received any reports from volunteer organisations we partner with or other Australian organisations indicating negative impacts from the Law on Associations and Non-Governmental Organizations (LANGO) on NGOs.
- . We continue to monitor developments closely.

Has the government through the minister and/or the ambassador made representations to the Cambodian government regarding the potential negative impact of the law on Cambodia's development and civil society? ...

are you aware of other international donors who may have made formal representations regarding this law?

- . The Australian Embassy in Phnom Penh made regular representations from 2011, when the draft law was proposed, until May 2015, when the draft law was being finalised, on the importance of freedom of expression and association and the need for public consultation during the drafting of the law.
- . We are aware that the EU and US issued statements calling for wider public consultation on the law.

Has Australia undertaken any formal reviews or evaluations about current assistance to Cambodia's electoral authorities and, in that context, what has been achieved if they been undertaken?

- . Australia has provided technical assistance through UNICEF to the General Department of Identification; we do not provide assistance to Cambodia's electoral authorities.
- . No independent review or evaluation is planned for this activity. The Department only prescribes independent evaluations for aid investments that

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are deemed to be high risk or have a budget more than \$10 million, neither of which applies to this investment.

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Senator RHIANNON: *Thank you very much. Moving on to Vietnam, has the state-owned China Road and Bridge Corporation been selected as part of a consortium to construct the Cao Lanh Bridge project in Vietnam?*

Mr Chittick: *The construction of the Cao Lanh Bridge is over half built now. I do not have with me the specific names of the contractors of each aspect of that, so I will be very happy to take that on notice.*

...

Senator RHIANNON: *Do I take from that answer in response to my question about independent checks that it is a contractor who undertakes the independent checks?*

Mr Chittick: *There is a contractor that delivers the services. Again, I do not have quite the detail with me about the quality assurance process, but I am aware of a range of quality assurance processes, which are separate to the contractor responsible for resettlement, that verify the quality of the resettlement process. But I would like to take the details of that on notice.*

...

Senator RHIANNON: *Just one more question on Vietnam. Is there an estimate for the cost of research and development and design innovations needed to protect this bridge infrastructure from the impacts of climate change, considering that it has been identified that the Mekong is particularly vulnerable to climate change impacts?*

Mr Chittick: *I do not have that level of specific detail with me, so I would be very happy to take it on notice.*

Answer

The contractor is a joint venture between China Road and Bridge Corporation and Vinaconex Engineering, Construction and Investment Joint-stock Company.

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In addition to the project supervision consultant's monitoring of resettlement implementation, the Asian Development Bank, DFAT and an independent consultant also monitor the implementation of the resettlement program.

A number of measures have been included in the design of the bridge to address the projected impacts of climate change including increasing the embankment height of the approach roads and increasing the navigation clearance height of the bridge itself. These measures are expected to cost around USD 5 million.

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Senator RHIANNON: Can you give us a dollar amount on how much is being capped, please?

Mr Cox: Yes, I will get that for you on notice.

Answer

The value of Australia's Education Partnership (2010-2016) with Indonesia is currently up to \$373 million.

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Senator RHIANNON: Thank you. Moving on to Myanmar now—thanks, Mr Chittick. What types of cooperation activities are we undertaking currently with the Myanmar police, military and border security authorities? Is any of this cooperation funded through the aid program?

Mr Chittick: The specifics of the responsible agencies for each of those are not with DFAT; it would be the Department of Defence, the AFP and the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. I can give you a bit of an overview, but the specific details of how those programs are managed and whether they involve ODA-eligible expenditure would have to be sourced from those specific agencies.

More broadly, we have begun to build engagement between our national security agencies. We face a range of common national security issues in our region, and as Myanmar has begun to democratise - and certainly with the installation of an NLD government following successful elections last November—I would anticipate that those engagements will increase.

We do have a defence attache based in Myanmar, and he oversees a defence-defence relationship. We do have a relationship between our two police forces—counter drug-trafficking activities are an important element of that relationship—and we do have, again, an increasing relationship on immigration and border protection issues. Those relationships are at a much lower level of development than our relationship with Myanmar's neighbours. The specific details of those are managed by other agencies, but I am happy to take that on notice.

Senator RHIANNON: And also the issue about the funding? Are they funded through the aid program?

Mr Chittick: Yes, I will ask them that question.

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Answer

An overview of the Australian Government's engagement with the Myanmar Police Force, military and border security authorities is below:

Implementing agency / Program	Relevant Myanmar authority	Activity description	Official development assistance (Yes/No)
UNICEF (funded by DFAT and other donors)	Tatmadaw (Myanmar military) Myanmar Police Force	UNICEF works with the Tatmadaw to strengthen child protection in humanitarian emergencies, and to implement the Joint Action Plan to end the recruitment and use of children in armed conflict. UNICEF also works with the Myanmar Police Force to improve children's access to justice. This work has included the training of 80 police officers in Rakhine and Kachin States on child protection and child rights.	Yes
The Australia-Asia Program to Combat Trafficking In Persons (AAPTIP) (fully funded by DFAT)	Myanmar Police Force	AAPTIP aims to reduce the incentives and opportunities for human trafficking in South-East Asia by supporting the effective investigation, prosecution and adjudication of human trafficking crimes. AAPTIP works with the Myanmar Police Force on enhancing their capacity to investigate trafficking crimes with appropriate sensitivity to victims. AAPTIP also supports periodic bilateral meetings between anti-trafficking investigators and their Thai counterparts to improve international cooperation on cross-border trafficking investigations.	Yes
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Myanmar Police Force	Since 2000, the AFP has supported Myanmar law enforcement efforts and regional collaboration to counter transnational crime, including narcotics, human trafficking, money laundering and counter-terrorism.	No
Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP)	Myanmar Police Force	DIBP's Regional Skills Development Program serves to build the border management and security capability of counterpart agencies.	95 per cent ODA funding
	Myanmar Ministry of Immigration and Population	Under a Memorandum of Understanding between the two agencies, DIBP supports the Ministry of Immigration and Population to implement a five-year border immigration management plan (developed jointly in 2014). This includes delivering training, developing strategic documentation, and an annual review and update of the plan.	Yes
	Myanmar	DIBP has provided equipment for vessel	Yes

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	Police Force	search operations and investigations and intelligence software (with associated hardware) to significantly improve case management of human trafficking investigations.	
	Myanmar Customs Department	DIBP is currently exploring an information sharing agreement between the two agencies to provide a framework for increased engagement.	n/a
Department of Defence	Tatmadaw	Defence engagement with the Tatmadaw focuses on peacekeeping and humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) in multilateral settings. This includes: peacekeeping training for approximately 11 officers in Australia per year; the deployment of a short-term Australian Defence Force training team in Myanmar; sponsoring Tatmadaw officers to attend HADR and peacekeeping multilateral seminars; and sponsoring a Tatmadaw officer to undertake a Master of Peace and Conflict Studies in Australia.	No

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Senator McEwen

Question

Senator McEWEN: *Will Mr Ruddock be provided with any additional staff? Is somebody going to be seconded from DFAT to work with him or within DFAT to work with him?*

Mr Varghese: *We will probably need to place an extra person in Dr Strahan's division to help manage the work of the special envoy.*

Senator McEWEN: *What level will the extra person be?*

Mr Varghese: *Probably an EL1 level, in Public Service terms—below SES.*

Senator McEWEN: *Just the one person? What about diary support and—*

Mr Varghese: *I think we can manage with one additional person.*

Senator McEWEN: *And that position was not included in your current budget?*

Mr Varghese: *No. The costs of the special envoy are new costs which we will absorb.*

Senator McEWEN: *Have you done a rough estimate of what all those new costs will be for the remainder of this financial year?*

Mr Varghese: *I think, in terms of staffing, it will probably be of the order of about \$120,000. In terms of travel, now that we have a more precise idea about where and when, we could probably put some indicative numbers against that, but I do not have them in my head.*

Senator McEWEN: *Could you take it on notice to provide those numbers?*

Mr Varghese: *Sure.*

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Answer

A dedicated EL1 position has been established in Multilateral Policy Division to support the Special Envoy. This position has been absorbed within DFAT's existing staffing profile at an annualised cost of \$160,000 (including salary, on-costs and overheads). DFAT has also absorbed the costs for Mr Ruddock's business cards (\$495) and diplomatic passport (\$381).

Any proposed overseas travel by Mr Ruddock will be approved by the Prime Minister, in accordance with the *Parliamentary Entitlements Regulations 1997*.

Mr Ruddock's travel to Geneva (29 February – 3 March 2016) to attend the High-Level Segment of the Human Rights Council's 31st session cost \$40,000. This included flights, accommodation, ground transport and the cost of the accompanying DFAT Liaison Officer.

Mr Ruddock will travel to East Africa (Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda) in April. The estimated budget, including flights, accommodation, ground transport and the cost of the accompanying DFAT Liaison Officer, is \$40,000.

Mr Ruddock will also lead Australia's delegation to the Sixth World Congress Against the Death Penalty in Oslo, Norway (21-23 June, 2016). The estimated budget, including flights, accommodation, ground transport and the cost of the accompanying DFAT Liaison Officer, is approximately \$40,000.

DFAT is scoping Mr Ruddock's forward travel program and no arrangements have been made for Mr Ruddock to travel in his capacity as Special Envoy beyond 30 June 2016.

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Senator McEwen

Question

Senator McEWEN: Senator Bernardi was asking questions about East Timor. Can you please take on notice whether any current or former Abbott or Turnbull government ministers have visited Timor-Leste in the term of this parliament.

Mr Varghese: Officially?

Senator McEWEN: Yes. When was the last time a foreign minister visited Timor-Leste, when was the last time the current foreign minister visited Timor-Leste, and what was her position at the time.

Mr Varghese: I will take that on notice.

Answer

The last Australian Foreign Minister to visit Timor-Leste was Senator the Hon Bob Carr, who visited from 13-14 December 2012.

The current Minister of Foreign Affairs visited Timor-Leste, in her then capacity as Shadow Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, from 5-6 July 2013.

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Senator Madigan

Question

Senator MADIGAN: Thank you, Mr Varghese. Attorney, was Mr Moraitis a member of the delegation from Australia in Dili in October 2004, during which, it is alleged, clandestine listening devices had been installed by ASIS in the East Timorese ministerial cabinet room?

Senator Brandis: Let's decouple the two parts of that question. The allegation with which I am familiar is not an allegation that Australia has ever accepted. Whether Mr Moraitis travelled to East Timor at that time I am not aware. I will take that on notice.

Answer

Mr Moraitis travelled to Timor-Leste in October 2004.

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Senator RHIANNON: I would like to move on to some questions about China. I understand that Australia is currently working with China on an antimalarial project in Papua New Guinea. Is Australia planning to work with China on other development projects in the Asia-Pacific region?

Mr Fletcher: At the moment, I do not believe we have plans for further cooperative aid programs with China.

Senator RHIANNON: I think you said that you 'understand'. Does that mean you need to take it on notice?

Mr Fletcher: Yes, I can take it on notice.

Senator RHIANNON: The question was: is Australia planning on working with China? You have taken that on notice. Has the Chinese government approached Australia with any proposals for future cooperation?

Mr Fletcher: I do not believe so but I can check that on notice as well.

Answer

Australia is open to the possibility of further joint development projects with China in the Asia-Pacific.

Nothing specific has been proposed by either side.

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Senator RHIANNON: *Thank you. Has Australia undertaken a multilateral assessment since 2012?*

Mr McDonald: *The department undertakes multilateral assessments with our multilateral partners as the replenishments come forward. So, as they are due for renewal, we undertake a multilateral assessment.*

Senator RHIANNON: *When is the next one planned, please?*

Mr McDonald: *They come up progressively. We have one coming up shortly in relation to the Asian Development Bank. There is a replenishment coming up in May, for example, so that is an assessment we will do then. It is a progressive thing through the year as they come forward. We also have one coming up with the International Committee of the Red Cross later this year. That is another multilateral assessment. We can give you, on notice, when they are due.*

Senator RHIANNON: *That would be good. I was trying to understand: how is Australia's funding for multilateral agencies linked to these assessments?*

Answer

An indicative timetable for Multilateral Performance Assessments for 2016 is below.

Multilateral Agency	Indicative Completion Date
United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East	April 2016
United Nations Population Fund	April 2016
World Health Organization	April 2016
World Bank	April 2016

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UN Entity for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (UN Women)	May 2016
Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria	June 2016
United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs	June 2016
International Committee of the Red Cross	June 2016
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	June 2016
Commonwealth Secretariat	December 2016

Multilateral organisation performance, as assessed through periodic Multilateral Performance Assessments of organisations receiving significant core funding, annual Partner Performance Assessments and other means, is a factor taken into account in determining funding allocations for multilateral agencies and multiyear funding agreements.

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Senator RHIANNON: *Okay. Going back to Ebola issues, is DFAT planning to undertake an independent evaluation of its Ebola response in order to draw lessons from that to inform future responses to infectious diseases?*

Mr McDonald: *I might need to check that with Mr Exell. But, certainly, we did a progressive assessment throughout the Ebola response around Australia's response, and Mr Exell might be able to elaborate on that.*

Mr Exell: *At this stage, there is not an intention to take on an independent review or evaluation of our Ebola response. There was an internal DFAT review and, indeed, there was a whole-of-government review of our overall Ebola response. We were also part of a WHO major review of their response and their global reactions, or global response, to Ebola. So there were pretty significant review exercises going on around the work there.*

Senator RHIANNON: *Have they been released publicly?*

Mr Exell: *I will have to take that on notice.*

Answer

The independent Ebola Interim Assessment Panel evaluation report of the World Health Organization's Ebola response (July 2015) has been released publicly, <http://www.who.int/csr/resources/publications/ebola/ebola-panel-report/en/>

The Report of the UN High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises *Protecting humanity from future health crises* (February 2016) has been released publicly, http://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/70/723. (The United Nations Secretary-General established the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises in April 2015 to propose recommendations that would strengthen national and international systems to prevent and respond effectively to future health crises, taking into account lessons learned from the Ebola response).

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: I also asked for a second document, which was essentially an update to question on notice 13. Did you want to tell me what is going to happen with that one? I ask because our discussion was not on the public record.

Mr McDonald: It will probably be easier for me to do it because it is in a different area to Mr Wood. We will not be able to produce the material you asked for in the detail you asked for today. I apologise for that, but we actually have to go into our SAP and AidWorks system to get the exact figure—the value that you talked about—for you. We will also need to make sure of the accuracy of the material we have provided. Today, for example, that question 13 may need updating in terms of the programs on that list as well. I would prefer to take that on notice and provide that material to you at a later date.

Senator WONG: All right. Chair, we will have some aid questions. We might need to have the opportunity to have a look at that document.

Answer

The following table updates Australian aid Agreements that have been affected, cancelled, rescoped or altered as a result of the 2015-16 aid budget. Please note:

- The list below is accurate as at 11 February 2016.
- Details are provided on those Agreements in place at the start of FY2015-16.
- Some Agreements are still under negotiation.
- As per the response to Question 13 of the October 2015 Estimates, changes to annual funding allocations to multilateral agencies are noted on the DFAT website.

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Afghanistan	UNDP Law and Order Trust Fund (US\$60 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Delivery of this three calendar-year commitment now over four financial years.
Afghanistan	World Bank Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund (US\$375.6 million)	0	Reduction in funding from estimated future expenditure only – no change was required to Australia's funding agreement with the World Bank.
Africa	The Australia Africa Community Engagement Scheme - Resource Facility (\$3.3 million)	\$293,754	Reduction in Funding: Resource Facility (logistics and administration/management) inputs reduced.
Africa	Australia Africa Partnerships Facility (AAPF) (\$73.5 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Proposed extension to 31 March 2016 cancelled.
Africa	Africa Food Security Initiative (CSIRO) (\$35.8 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Extended by 15 months to allow for appropriate exit arrangements.
Africa	Transparency, Responsiveness, Accountability and Citizen Engagement Program (TRACE), Zimbabwe (\$6 million)	\$5 million	Reduction in Funding: planned \$6 million/4 year delegated cooperation agreement with UK Department for International Development (DFID) reduced to one-off payment of \$1 million.

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Asia Pacific	Support to the Asia Pacific Forum of National Human Rights Institutions (\$1 million)	\$150,000	Reduction in Funding: Reduction to technical capacity building and training work.
Bangladesh	Primary Education Development Program Phase 3 (\$49 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Extended by two years.
Global	Institute for State Effectiveness (\$1.5 million)	\$100,000	Reduction in Funding: Changes to the prioritisation and sequencing of proposed research products.
Global	Developmental Leadership Program (\$4.5 million)	\$445,000	Reduction in Funding: Program budget reduced over two financial years, resulting in changes to the prioritisation and sequencing of proposed research activities
Global	Australia Awards (\$138.8 million for 14/15 financial year)	\$41.6 million (for 15/16 financial year) *Australia Awards are also provided bilaterally and have been adjusted where necessary.	Reduction in Funding: The number of new Australia Awards scholarships and short courses offered reduced.

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Country/Region	Agreement and Value prior to 2015/16 budget announcement	Funding Impact over the life of the Agreement	Nature of Change
Global	Australian NGO Cooperation Program (\$134 million for 14/15 financial year)	\$6.7 million (for 15/16 financial year)	Reduction in Funding: The effect of funding adjustments to ANCP projects will not be known until the NGO performance reports are received in September 2016. Under the ANCP, Australian NGOs determine which projects to fund and the amount of funding to allocate to each project.
Global	Australian Volunteers for International Development (\$56.6 million for 14/15 financial year)	\$17 million (for 15/16 financial year)	Reduction in Funding: Reduction in the number of new volunteers deployed.
India	DFAT-IFC South Asia Sustainable Development Partnership (\$8 million)	\$600,000	Reduction in Funding: IFC will absorb a reduction in funding without any serious impact on current or planned activities.
Indonesia	HIV Cooperation Program for Indonesia (\$44.9 million)	\$2 million	Reduction in Funding: Support for HIV work with prisons, prison leadership and injecting drug users (IDU) and brought forward. Grants to local NGOs in the Papuan provinces ended earlier than planned.
Indonesia	Australia-Indonesia Partnership for Pro-Poor Policy – The Knowledge Sector Initiatives (\$94 million)	\$33.5 million	Reduction in Funding and Revised Timeframe: Reduced funding for Indonesian research institutes and support to improve the policy-making skills of Indonesian government officials. Engagement will occur at the national level, not at the sub-national level. A small grants program for local government activities has been reduced.

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Indonesia	IndoBeef (\$21.3 million)	\$8.3 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced funding and extended length of the program by two years. The geographic focus of the program will change from an initial emphasis in South Sumatra, East Java and West and East Nusa Tenggara, to South Sumatra, West Nusa Tenggara and East Kalimantan.
Indonesia	SAIIG - Infrastructure Grant Municipal Sanitation (\$40 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Length of agreement has been extended and funds to be disbursed at a slower rate than originally planned, resulting in some municipalities receiving benefits a year later than anticipated.
Indonesia	Australia Indonesia Partnership for Health Systems Strengthening (\$29.4 million)	\$6.5 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduction to the number of activities supporting the Indonesian government to revise its national health insurance provider payment system and testing and implementation of the government's minimum service standards, and costing of public programs as part of performance based budgeting and planning.
Indonesia	Governance for Growth KOMPAK (\$80 million)	0	Reduction in Scope: Scope of the program for the future years scaled back.
Indonesia	Rapidly Expanding access to Care for HIV (REACH) Program in Tanah Papua (\$25.4 million)	\$250,000	Reduction in Funding: Reduction to the component of the program which advised on supply chain management for anti-retrovirals and testing reagents, as well as the implementation research component of the program.

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Indonesia	Nationwide Professional Development for Education Personnel (\$110 million)	\$72 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced support for professional development and the program has moved to online delivery rather than face-to-face training. Proposed one-year extension of the professional development program will not proceed.
Indonesia	Australia Indonesia Partnership for Justice (\$57.5 million)	0	Reduction in scope: scope of the program for future years scaled back. A new justice and security partnership will support new activities in anti-corruption, prison reform, court reform, and access to justice for women, children and people with disabilities.
Indonesia	Australia Indonesia Partnership for Maternal and Neonatal Health (\$84.3 million)	\$1.3 million	Reduction in Funding: Program ended as scheduled in 2015/16. Transitional activities were not required for a second phase, resulting in the savings reflected in the reduced program value.
Indonesia	Management of the Empowering Indonesian Women for Poverty Reduction Program (Indonesia) (\$52 million)	\$1 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduction will be absorbed across a range of activities within the program, for example run fewer workshops and reduce administrative costs.
Laos	Management of Human Resource Development and Australia Awards - Laos Australia Institute (\$18.3 million)	Agreement revision under negotiation	Under negotiation.

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Laos	Basic Education Quality and Access (\$10.5 million)	Agreement revision under negotiation	Under negotiation.
Laos	Basic Education Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (\$10.5 million)	\$1.2 million	Reduction in Australian Funding: European Union has provided the shortfall so no reduction in scope.
Laos	Basic Education School Meals (\$9.5 million)	\$2 million	Reduction in Australian Funding: The European Union has provided the shortfall so no reduction in scope.
Laos	Making Access to Finance more Inclusive for Poor People (\$5.9 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Extended by six months.
Laos	Laos Australia Learning Development Facility (\$4.6 million)	\$2.1 million	Reduction in Funding: Research for development component cancelled.
Laos	Social Protection and Sustainable Livelihoods (\$19.2 million)	\$3.2 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced number of capacity building and research activities.
Mongolia	Australia Mongolia Extractives Program (\$5.9 million)	\$2.99 million	Reduction in Funding: Scope narrowed to focus on governance, regulation and stakeholder engagement by mining related government agencies.

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Myanmar	Support to Improve Maternal and Child Health, Communicable Diseases and Strengthen the Health Systems (\$100.4 million)	\$53.67 million	Reduction in Funding: In May 2015, the 3MDG Fund issued a statement that the cuts would have “no immediate impact on already programmed grants and activities”.
Myanmar	DFAT-ACIAR multidisciplinary research program for food security (\$12 million)	\$1.2 million	Reduction in Funding: There is no impact on programming. ACIAR has met the shortfall with its own funds.
Myanmar	Myanmar Education Consortium (\$36.1 million)	\$4.5 million	Reduction in Funding: Scope narrowed to focus on ethnic education systems.
Pacific	Australia-Pacific Technical College Stage 2 (APTC) (\$240 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: APTC Stage 2 contract (originally to end June 2015) extended to June 2018 as recommended by independent review; additional allocation (\$32million per year over three years).
Pacific	Pacific Benchmarking Education Quality for Results (\$1.9 million)	\$110,000	Reduction in Funding: Funds transferred from the project to a consultancy to ensure that a crucial activity of the pilot was completed on time.
Pacific	Support to the Pacific Legal Information System (\$1.8 million)	\$173,687	Reduction in Funding: Reduced staffing profile.

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Pacific	State, Society and Governance in Melanesia Program (\$23.6 million)	\$1.92 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced staffing profile.
Pakistan	Pakistan Australia Prevention of Avoidable Blindness (\$5.5 million)	\$1 million	Agreement Cancelled: Duration reduced by six months. No change in scope as provider sourced alternate funds for training of mid-level Eye Care Personnel.
Pakistan	UK Department for International Development (DFID) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Education Sector (\$63.8 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Four year program extension and redistribution of tranche payments.
Pakistan	Pakistan Partnership for Improved Nutrition Multi-Donor Trust Fund (\$39 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Extension to timeframe and revised payment schedule over future years.
Pakistan	Citizen Engagement for Social Service Delivery Project III (\$19.26 million)	\$3.46 million	Agreement Cancelled: Duration reduced by four months. Reduced technical assistance on links between provincial departments and the Social Service Committees in Education, Health and Water sectors.
Palestinian Territories	Australia-Palestinian Authority Partnership Arrangement (\$97.5 million)	\$14 million	Reduction in Funding: Funding is provided through a World Bank Multi-Donor Trust Fund. Since the Trust Fund determines the activities it will undertake, it is not yet possible to determine the activities which will be affected.

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Philippines	Basic Education Sector Transformation (BEST) Program - Classroom Construction Support (\$29.2 million)	\$3 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced number of classrooms to be constructed. Capacity building component for school communities on maintenance of classrooms discontinued.
South Asia	Climate-resilient farming systems in the Eastern Gangetic Plains (\$10 million)	\$500,000	Reduction in Funding: Reduced number of communities receiving support.
South East Asia	Australia Mekong Non-Government Organisation Engagement Platform (\$7.7 million)	\$5.2 million	Agreement Cancelled: Duration reduced by three months.
Timor-Leste	Program to Support the National Program for Village Development (\$28.2 million)	\$7.56 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced number of long-term advisers.
Timor-Leste	Governance for Development (\$23.3 million)	\$10.5 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced technical assistance budget and decreased support staff.
Timor-Leste	Ministry of Finance Direct Budget Support (\$11.5 million)	\$2 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced budget support allocations.
Timor-Leste	Ending Violence Against Women in Timor-Leste (\$19.7 million)	\$2 million	Reduction in Funding: Reduced research and grants to NGO service providers.

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Timor-Leste	Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Program (\$39.8 million)	\$11.2 million	Reduction in Funding: Changed focus to operations and maintenance of water systems (rather than construction of new ones) and reduced sanitation support from three districts to one.
Timor-Leste	Education and Literacy Materials Partnership (\$3.3 million)	0	Revised Timeframe: Extended by six months.
Vietnam	Vietnam Climate Innovation Centre (\$6 million)	\$3 million	Reduction in Funding: One of the pillars (access to finance) of the project ceased.
Vietnam	World Bank Trust Fund (\$58 million)	\$12.49 million	Reduction in Funding: Scope of eight projects renegotiated with the Government of Vietnam.
Vietnam	Flood and Drought Risk Management Project (\$5.85 million)	\$3.97 million	Agreement Cancelled: The Asian Development Bank committed to seek financing from elsewhere to accommodate Australia's reduction in funds.
Vietnam	Anti-corruption program (\$5.5 million)	\$1.06 million	Agreement Cancelled: Research component was completed earlier than planned.
Vietnam	Water and sanitation (\$74 million)	\$2 million	Australian Agreement Cancelled: Government of Vietnam and other donors contribute to a pooled funding arrangement.

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Program: DFAT

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Senator Macdonald

Question

Senator IAN MACDONALD: It was a very brave judge, I understand. Where did she come from? She is not local.

Mr Sloper: I would have to take the judge's background on notice.

...

Senator IAN MACDONALD: We have been paid for the Chinese crane that fell on the high commission residence?

Mr Sloper: I would have to take that on notice. I am aware of the crane you are referring to that fell across the fence next to the high commission. I do not know the status of the cost recovery associated with the damage, but I can take that on notice.

Answer

1 Justice Mary Sey is from Gambia.

2 All costs relating to the removal of the crane and repairs were funded by the landlord of the chancery at no cost to the Australian Government.

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Senator Dastyari

Question

Mr Williams: We believe the review mechanisms that we have in place—and we have gone through a very substantive review of these two contracts over recent months—is more than adequate.

Senator GALLACHER: That is you reviewing yourself and your performance with the security contractor.

Mr Williams: With the security company, and with our embassies as well.

Senator DASTYARI: But has there been an example of this being done independently in the past.

Mr Williams: I cannot recall. I would have to take that on notice.

Answer

The contracts have not been reviewed independently in the past, other than the financial aspects of the previous contracts that were closely monitored by the Department of Finance under the then 'No Win-No Loss' funding mechanism. The Australian National Audit Office and DFAT's internal audit team can subject the security contracts to assurance checks at any time.

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Program: DFAT

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Mr Innes-Brown: I will have to check specifically on the allocation of that funding in relation to Palestinian refugees, but we also give money to UNRWA, as you know.

Senator RHIANNON: Yes.

Mr Innes-Brown: That covers Palestinian refugees in Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon and Jordan, and in Syria where it is possible to reach them.

Senator RHIANNON: Maybe the question is: are you covering it through UNRWA or are you covering it in any other way, considering—

Mr Innes-Brown: We will have to check with our partners and come back to you on that if that is okay.

...

Senator RHIANNON: Leaving the specifics of what has happened in the last week, has Australian aid been used to assist people rendered homeless because of the demolitions of Palestinian homes?

Mr Innes-Brown: I will have to take that on notice.

Answer

Australia provides funding to UNRWA which assists Palestinian refugees in five areas, including in Syria.

In the past (2014-15), Australia provided \$15.7 million to UNRWA's Gaza reconstruction appeals which focused on repairing infrastructure such as homes which were damaged or destroyed following the 2014 Gaza conflict.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Water and Sanitation

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Senator RHIANNON: Is there anybody here who has details of the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council and what state that is in following the cuts?

Mr McDonald: Mr Exell may be able to help; I am not sure.

Mr Exell: I am not familiar with the collaborative council, as you referred to it. I would have to take that on notice if there are specific implications for that support.

Senator RHIANNON: If you could take on notice please how much has been cut from the council, and what changes have resulted with regard to the work that they undertake.

Mr Exell: Yes.

Answer

Refer to the response to question on notice 80.

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Topic: Global Polio Eradication Initiative

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Senator Rhiannon

Question

Senator RHIANNON: And that is what has been confirmed in that correspondence that we read about between DFAT and who?

Mr Exell: I would have to take on notice who that correspondent was specifically, but, yes, those are the confirmed amounts.

...

Senator RHIANNON: When we are looking at your overall budget, does this come out of the allocation to the World Bank or out of the allocation to the GPEI for those multilateral groups?

Mr Exell: I would have to go back, check and take that on notice. It comes out of, in essence, the global health budgets that sit within my division. I could not answer as to whether it comes out of the multilateral or World Bank. We will take that one on notice.

Answer

DFAT wrote to the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) on 10 November 2015 confirming funding of up to \$36 million over four financial years, with \$15 million to be provided in 2015-16 (now released), \$15 million in 2016-17, \$3 million in 2017-18 and \$3 million in 2018-19.

The \$36 million allocated to the World Bank to strengthen routine immunisation systems does not form part of DFAT's core contributions to WHO (for GPEI) or the World Bank. This investment is funded from a separate international health programming fund administered by DFAT's Health and Water Branch.

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Program: DFAT

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Senator Gallacher

Question

Senator GALLACHER: If we do a little bit of work between the two spreadsheets, we come up with a reduction in a number of places. In 2015-16, let us look at Vanuatu on that line. In June 2015, Vanuatu was \$41.16 million and in February it is slightly less.

Mr Wood: Correct.

Senator GALLACHER: Is that because of a summation? Is it because you are not at the end of the year and you have not spent all the money? What is that difference?

Mr Wood: The 2015 report captured contracts and commitments that were in place. Given that the 2016 report has a slightly lower amount, the likelihood is that some of the original funding for 2015 has been moved into a subsequent financial year. You will notice, for example, that in the 2016-17 year in the first report for 2015 there is an amount of \$27 million, and in the more recent one it is \$35 million. We can take on notice the precise answer to that, but that is likely what has happened.

Senator GALLACHER: I think we will need to have it on notice. I just want to understand what is happening.

Answer

The difference in the figures represented between the tables can be explained as follows.

The data in Table 6 was extracted from AidWorks (aid management system) on 2 June 2015, prior to the end of the financial year. Commitments under the Vanuatu Program for the four financial years (2015-16 to 2018-19) totalled \$69.11 million.

The data in the table submitted in February 2016 was extracted from the AidWorks system on 11 February 2016, seven months later. Commitments under the Vanuatu Program for the four financial years (2015-16 to 2018-19) totalled \$81.3 million.

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The columns in the tables represent contracts and commitments at a point in time for the four financial years. Contracts and commitments may change in value and financial year in which it is expensed, depending on the progress of the aid activities being delivered.

The recorded four-year commitments under the Vanuatu program at the two points in time (June 2015 and February 2016) increase from \$69.11m to \$81.3m, with changes in the profile of committed expenditure over the financial years.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: BHP mining in Brazil

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Senator Ludlam

Question

Senator LUDLAM: I am going to jump around the world a bit; I have a few things for different parts of the portfolio. I want to quickly bring you to the collapse of the BHP and Vale Samarco dam that released polluted mining tailings and destroyed townships and livelihoods in Brazil. Have we got somebody with expertise at the desk? While we were doing the Americas I figured we would stay put. When was the last time the foreign minister was briefed on the Samarco disaster?

Dr Hammer: I do not have the exact date, but she is certainly aware of it. So are the other Australian ministers—Minister Frydenberg and Minister Robb—both of whom have expressed condolences to their Brazilian counterparts.

Senator LUDLAM: As is appropriate. I understand some BHP officials have travelled to the site, but have any Australian officials done so?

Dr Hammer: I am not aware of whether any Australian officials have actually travelled to the site. I will take it on notice if that is okay.

Senator LUDLAM: I would appreciate it. I just want to go into a little bit of detail about what the official response has been. Dr Hammer, are you aware of the open letter that has been signed to the international community and to the Australian Parliament specifically on the crisis in Brazil?

Dr Hammer: I think I may have seen either a draft of that letter or the letter when it came out.

Senator LUDLAM: I will forgive you if you do not have a copy at the desk. I just want to quote from it briefly and also reference a couple of the individuals who are cosignatories. By leave of the committee I might just table that so that Dr Hammer has a copy. Have representatives of either the department or the foreign minister's office directly met with representatives of BHP Billiton since the disaster?

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Dr Hammer: There may have been meetings. I am not aware of any meeting which has been held specifically on the matter of the disaster, but such meetings may have taken place.

Senator LUDLAM: Is that something you are able to follow up on for us?

Dr Hammer: Sure.

Answer

The Foreign Minister was briefed on the collapse of the Fundão Dam at the Samarco mine shortly after the incident occurred and has received subsequent briefing. DFAT understands that staff from the Foreign Minister's office also met with representatives of BHP.

No Australian officials have travelled to the area affected by the dam's collapse.

DFAT officials, both in Australia and Brazil, have discussed the Samarco incident with BHP Billiton representatives. On 12 November 2015, Patrick Lawless, then Australian Ambassador to Brazil, spoke by telephone to CEO of BHP Billiton, Andrew Mackenzie. In Melbourne on 23 November 2015, Andrew Mackenzie, David Byers and Tony Cudmore of BHP Billiton briefed Australian Ambassador-designate to Brazil, John Richardson, on the incident. On 14 December 2015, Ambassador-designate Richardson also visited BHP Billiton's offices in Perth. The primary purpose of the visit was to be briefed on BHP Billiton's operational procedures but also to discuss Samarco with Jimmy Wilson, CEO Iron Ore, and Tony Ottaviano.

On 26 January 2016, Ambassador-designate Richardson and Deputy Head of Mission in Brazil, Ms Tracy Reid, discussed Samarco with Dean Dalla Valle, Chief Commercial Officer for BHP Billiton, at the Australia Day reception hosted by Austrade in Rio de Janeiro.

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Senator Ludlam

Question

Senator LUDLAM: You have it there. If you could take a very quick look at the back page and the signatories there, are you able to identify whether any representation has been made by those individuals to the Australian government, either to the department or the foreign minister's office directly?

Dr Hammer: Sure. I will have to check in relation to the foreign minister's office, but I am pretty confident that none of them have made representations to the department or the rest of the government. But I should take that on notice because I want to be sure, so I will check that for you.

Senator LUDLAM: Understood—thanks. You said you thought you might have seen a draft. Is it ringing a bell now that you have a copy to hand?

Dr Hammer: Actually, I do not think I have seen this particular letter.

Senator LUDLAM: It is addressed to the international community, but it is addressed specifically to the Australian parliament. So here we are. If you have not had time to look at it, what I might put to you is whether you believe it would be appropriate—and I suppose the foreign minister would be the appropriate individual to do so—to reply to such a piece of correspondence.

Dr Hammer: Without having properly had a chance to read the letter and see what its contents are, I would not like to chance my arm at answering that at this stage.

Senator LUDLAM: I do not know whether that is quite characterised as taking it on notice, but that is a request I am putting to the foreign minister, through you, Dr Hammer.

Dr Hammer: Okay.

Senator LUDLAM: It would be my view that an appropriate response would be a reply.

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Dr Hammer: Let's take that on notice or take that as a request to the foreign minister.

Senator LUDLAM: Understood. Can I backtrack for one moment. Did you put to us before that a number of ministers, including the foreign minister, had been in contact with their Brazilian counterparts expressing their condolences? Is that the case?

Dr Hammer: Yes, that is right. My understanding is that Minister Frydenberg and Minister Robb both expressed condolences to their Brazilian counterparts.

Senator LUDLAM: This might be more sensible in the trade or industry portfolios or elsewhere, but are you aware of whether BHP has approached the Australian government for assistance in compensation?

Dr Hammer: No, I am not. I think I probably would know if that had happened, so I expect that it has not but I cannot be 100 per cent sure. Those other departments, counterpart departments, may know more.

Senator LUDLAM: Some of those hearings are occurring as we speak in other rooms. Am I able in a whole-of-government way to put that request through you to see whether requests have been made, without me chasing the individual portfolios?

Dr Hammer: Yes, certainly.

Answer

Ms Bishop's office received the open letter from Brazilian civil society to the Australian Parliament concerning the collapse of the Fundão Dam at the Samarco mine on 1 March. It came under a covering letter from Professor Juliana Dutra Braz da Cruz of Brazil. A reply has been sent.

None of the signatories to the letter have made representations to DFAT or, to DFAT's knowledge to any other Australian Government Department.

BHP Billiton has not approached the Australian Government for assistance in providing compensation to those affected by the collapse of the Fundão Dam at the Samarco mine.

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Senator Gallacher

Question

Senator GALLACHER: Can we get a 2014-15 figure, either now or on notice?

Mr Dawson: I do not have a dollar figure.

Senator GALLACHER: Can we get the dollar figure on notice?

Mr Dawson: Sure.

Senator GALLACHER: But, if we are working on the assumption it is 20 per cent of your budget, it would be close to \$1 billion?

Mr McDonald: It would be less, actually, because the total is \$4 billion at the moment, isn't it? No, it is \$5 billion. So it is \$1 billion—sorry.

Senator GALLACHER: In that amount, do we have the total number of contractors who are currently providing ODA?

Mr Dawson: I will take that on notice. We have the information, but I just do not have it immediately to hand.

Answer

The total ODA expended through commercial contractors in 2014-15 was \$843,492,486. This was delivered by 193 contractors.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Aid delivered by NGOs, contractors and multilaterals

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Senator Gallacher

Question

Senator GALLACHER: *Before we go to Fiji, can I have a breakdown—and I think someone started to do it—of the proportion of ODA delivered by NGOs, contractors and multilaterals? So let's continue on.*

Mr McDonald: *Yes.*

Senator GALLACHER: *Can we also have the total amount of funding delivered by contactors in 2014-15? Do we know how much that is? Is it \$200 million, \$1 billion?*

Mr McDonald: *Mr Dawson might have that, but if it is 20 per cent of the program it would be about \$1 billion, but I would have to check.*

Senator GALLACHER: *Can we get a 2014-15 figure, either now or on notice?*

Mr Dawson: *I do not have a dollar figure.*

Senator GALLACHER: *Can we get the dollar figure on notice?*

Mr Dawson: *Sure.*

...

Senator GALLACHER: *If I could say the big three—how much per annum over the last three years?*

Mr Dawson: *I do not have the last three years' figures. As I said, they are relatively representative but 2014-15 financial year, the last financial year completed, Palladium International, \$140.8 million; Cardno Emerging Markets, \$130.7 million; and Coffey International, \$117.2 million.*

Senator GALLACHER: *If we could get those in retrospect—*

Mr McDonald: *We will take the other two years on notice.*

...

Senator GALLACHER: *If Senator Dastyari were here, he would ask this question: where do they pay their tax? That will tell us where they are headquartered.*

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Mr Dawson: *That would be a matter for the taxation department.*

Senator GALLACHER: *No, it is a matter for us. If they are headquartered in the Cayman Islands, are they paying any tax? That is all. So we want to know where they are headquartered.*

Mr McDonald: *We will take that on notice.*

Answer

- 1. Can we also have the total amount of funding delivered by contractors in 2014-15?**

Total ODA expensed through contractors in 2014-15 was \$843,492,486.

- 2. If I could say the big three—how much per annum over the last three years?**

The three largest contractors (in order of ODA expenditure value) over the last three financial years, from 2012-13 to 2014-15 are Coffey International Development, Palladium International and Cardno Emerging Markets. The ODA total expenditure for the three largest contractors over the last three financial years, from 2012-13 to 2014-15 is outlined in the table below.

Contractor	Expenses (\$)			
	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	TOTAL
Cardno Emerging Markets	70,863,838	95,899,640	166,389,220 ¹	333,152,698
Coffey International Development	150,184,189	121,696,175	115,169,957 ²	387,050,321
Palladium International	111,541,664	120,143,492	140,845,851	372,531,007
TOTAL	332,589,691	337,739,307	422,405,028	1,092,734,026

- 3. So we want to know where they are headquartered.**

In response to DFAT's request to confirm the location of their headquarters, the three contractors have provided the following advice:

¹ Note that the value provided for Cardno Emerging Markets for 2014-15 differs from the figure provided by to the Senate Estimates Committee on 11 February 2016. The figure provided here includes contracts held under the former name of Cardno ACIL and Cardno USA, as well as those under Cardno Emerging Markets. The figures provided earlier on 11 February 2016 included only contracts in the name of Cardno Emerging Markets.

² Note that the value provided for Coffey International Development for 2014-15 updates the figure provided to the Senate Estimates Committee on 11 February 2016.

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- Cardno Emerging Markets: "... our head office is in Brisbane."
- Coffey International Development: "Coffey International Development Pty Limited is a wholly owned Australian subsidiary company of Coffey International Limited (Coffey), both companies that are duly incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Australia. Coffey is currently in the process of being acquired by Tetra Tech, Inc., a company duly registered under the laws of the United States of America. Whilst Coffey International Development Pty Limited's parent is being acquired by Tetra Tech, Inc., the projects it manages on behalf of DFAT are managed and administered from its offices located in Adelaide, SA and through project offices located in the aid recipient country."
- Palladium International : "... Palladium Group Holdings Pty Ltd is an Australian incorporated and resident company and is "headquartered" in Australia."

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Senator Fawcett

Question

Senator FAWCETT: If she were looking to explore a major policy shift that would impact on Australia's relationship with East Timor, that is not the sort of thing you would expect to be covered in an introduction-to-country briefing from the ambassador. That would be more something that you would give here from the department.

Mr Varghese: I think if that was the focus it would be a different type of briefing, and I am not sure that our post—again, I would need to check—would have been in a position to know that that was the purpose of the visit.

Senator FAWCETT: Can you take on notice how long the briefing was and whether or not it covered the kind of detail around the legal and financial implications of that kind of policy shift.

Mr Varghese: I am happy to do that.

Answer

Ambassador to Timor-Leste, HE Mr Peter Doyle, briefed the Hon Tanya Plibersek MP on her arrival in Dili on 14 April. The briefing lasted approximately 30 minutes. The 2015 change to ALP policy at the ALP National Conference in August 2015 and possible implications of such a change were not discussed.

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Senator Ludlam

Question

Senator LUDLAM: I did not take that as an implication. What briefing was provided to the department? Maybe because I have one other quick question I want to get in, I might just ask you to take the following on notice, just in the interests of time, because the chair is winding me up. Could you provide us some information about what kind of briefing was provided by the department and whether the department can provide further information on the meeting, such as an agenda or any briefing documents that attended that meeting, and whether there was any follow-up, either with the minister or representatives at the Palestinian authority in light of his comments about the meeting? I know that is a fair bit there, but in the interest of time I might move us on.

Answer

The Australian Representative Office (ARO) provided written briefing to the delegation on the details of the Australian aid program in the Palestinian Territories.

ARO has met with the Office of the Palestinian Prime Minister subsequent to the visit.

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Question No 186

Program: DFAT

Topic: Confidential material disposal

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Question

Senator GALLACHER: You would not be on your own in terms of size and the need to maintain confidentiality about your waste. Has anybody else done it? Or are you a leader in this space?

Mr Williams: With the destructor! I am not aware, within the Commonwealth government, of anyone utilising one at the moment, but I can take that on notice.

Answer

Other Commonwealth Departments use classified waste destructors. Prior to the commencement of the current procurement process, DFAT undertook relevant research and will be continuing its liaison with other agencies on operational details as part of the evaluation process in seeking to establish a value-for-money solution.

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Topic: Timor Sea

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Senator Xenophon

Question

Senator XENOPHON: Going back to the treaty on CMATS, Certain Maritime Arrangements in the Timor Sea, article 4.6 states:

Neither Party shall raise or pursue in any international organisation matters that are, directly or indirectly, relevant to maritime boundaries or delimitation in the Timor Sea.

Yesterday at the National Press Club, the shadow foreign minister stated: If we are not successful in negotiating a settlement with our neighbour, we are prepared to submit ourselves to international adjudication or arbitration.

In light of that statement, Mr Varghese—this is by no means a criticism of Ms Plibersek; I am just trying to understand what that technically means—would this article, or CMATS as a whole, have to be nullified before such a case could begin, from a technical point of view?

Mr Varghese: I would have to take that on notice. I do not know if Mr French is in a position to respond.

Answer

International adjudication of a boundary between Australia and Timor-Leste would be inconsistent with the moratorium contained in Article 4 of CMATS.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Archives

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Senator Xenophon

Question

Senator XENOPHON: *I am happy for you to take that on notice; it is of a technical nature. Going back to where you said the Antarctic territories are a special case, you have jogged my memory. Sir John Latham was a foreign minister in the Lyons government in the 1930s. Apparently, the papers prepared in his office in relation to the Antarctic territories and post the Mawson expedition from 1929 to 1931 have still not been declassified. It has been about 80 or so years. Can you tell me, if you happen to know, or can you take on notice: what is so sensitive about those papers prepared some 80 years ago in relation to the issue of Australia's annexation of the Antarctic territories?*

Mr Varghese: *I have no idea.*

Senator XENOPHON: *But it is a good question, isn't it? They are still relevant. It has been 80 years, and we still do not know what they are.*

Mr Varghese: *He was a very brilliant man. Maybe all his writings have a very contemporary feel to them. I do not know.*

Senator XENOPHON: *All the more reason why we should see them!*

Mr Varghese: *It is really a question you should address to the National Archives. The declassification of documents—*

Senator XENOPHON: *Although the National Archives do take advice from your department very seriously, don't they? They are guided, in many respects, by the department as to whether something ought to be released or not.*

Mr Varghese: *Let me take on notice whether we have expressed a view on the continuing sensitivity of those papers.*

...

Senator XENOPHON: *While we are on blasts from the past, there is also Sir George Knowles, who was the Commonwealth Solicitor-General and the Secretary of the Attorney-General's Department. His memos to Sir John Latham of the Lyons government and another cabinet submission in respect*

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of the Antarctic territories are, apparently, yet to be declassified. Could you take that on notice as well?

Mr Varghese: I will.

Answer

All of the personal papers of Sir John Latham which were sent by the National Archives to DFAT for review have been declassified and are available to be viewed in accord with the *Archives Act 1983*. Papers relating to Antarctica were declassified in 2009 and are available in digital format on the National Archives website.

Questions about any papers which have not been referred to DFAT for review should be directed to the National Archives of Australia.

Papers of Sir George Knowles have not been referred to DFAT. Questions about the personal papers of Sir George Knowles should be referred to the National Archives of Australia.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Fiji

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Senator McEwen

Question

Senator McEWEN: *On 15 January this year, the Fiji Sun online reported that several containers carrying Russian-made weapons had arrived in Suva. That report contained a claim from Fijian parliamentarian, the opposition whip, and spokesperson on foreign affairs, Ratu Isoa Tikoca, that the consignment contained 20 containers of armed trucks and a helicopter. Has the department made any inquiries of the Fijian government regarding the contents of the containers?*

Mr Sloper: *Not to my knowledge.*

Senator McEWEN: *There has been no engagement with the Fijian government about that?*

Mr Sloper: *Not on that specific issue, no. We have a Defence Cooperation Program with Fiji and we exchange views on a range of issues, but I am not aware myself of any direct discussions with regard to that shipment.*

Senator McEWEN: *Would you be able to take that on notice?*

Mr Sloper: *Sure, happy to do so.*

Answer

No.

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Senator McEwen

Question

Senator McEWEN: Has Australia been invited to and has it committed to participating in Expo 2017 in Kazakhstan?

Mr Tranter: I understand that an invitation has been provided to the government. I am not aware of a response to that invitation. I will have to take that on notice.

Answer

Australia received a letter of invitation (dated 31 July 2014) to participate in Expo 2017 in Kazakhstan. The former Australian Prime Minister, Mr Abbott wrote to the President of Kazakhstan on 2 November 2014 declining the invitation.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Minister's visit to Singapore – Wilmar International

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Senator Wong

Question

Mr Brown: *What I meant was that the prospect of the regulation coming into force was known to the minister and department, and obviously we had been keeping the minister briefed on those developments fairly closely over a period of time.*

Senator WONG: *Has the issue of the reregulation of the industry been raised with DFAT officers prior to the minister's visit to Singapore?*

Mr Brown: *By whom?*

Senator WONG: *By anyone.*

Mr Brown: *It has been discussed amongst agencies, of course.*

Senator WONG: *And stakeholders?*

Mr Brown: *I am not able to give you a comprehensive answer to that question. I will have to take that on notice.*

...

Mr Brown: *It was clear that he was asking the question as to how foreign investors ought to interpret the attitude of sub-federal governments towards foreign investment going forward. That was the extent of his comment.*

Senator WONG: *What did Mr Robb say? What was his response?*

Mr Brown: *I would have to take that on notice. It do not recall the minister's comments in specific terms. He did speak in detail about the federal government's approach. The context of the meeting was in relation to attracting foreign investment in northern Australia. To the best of my recollection, the minister's comments were very much along the lines of repeating the messages about the government's vision for northern Australia and Mr Robb's general messages were about the Australian government being open for business and welcoming foreign investment.*

...

Senator WONG: *Has advice, as yet, been provided to government? I do not mean formal legal advice but advice on this matter—that is, the Queensland legislative change and the FTA issues. Has advice on those issues been provided to government?*

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Mr Brown: *Yes.*

Senator WONG: *When was that advice first provided?*

Mr Brown: *I would have to take that on notice.*

Answer

DFAT officers have been involved in, or present during, discussions on this issue with the Australian Cane Farmers Association; the Australian Sugar Milling Council; Bundaberg Sugar Group Limited; CANEGROWERS Australia; Isis Central Sugar Mill Company Limited; Mackay Sugar Limited; MSF Sugar Limited; Tully Sugar Limited; and Wilmar.

In his roundtable meeting with Singapore investors in January 2016, Mr Robb mentioned the importance the Government placed on the development of northern Australia and the role of foreign investment in supporting this. He said it was not unusual in countries with a federal system with more than one level of Government for there to be differences in approach towards foreign investment, but that sensible solutions to such differences could generally be found.

DFAT first provided advice setting out potential legal issues to the Office of the Minister for Trade and Investment on 21 November 2014.

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: Can I move now to the TPP. Between the release of the text on 5 November and the signing on 4 February, were any changes made or additional material such as provisions or letters released?

Ms Ward: As for the text, the legal scrub was still ongoing at the time of the release of the text. That was made clear when we released the text. The legal scrub was still ongoing, so changes were made in that context. As for the release of further side letters, my recollection is that all side letters were released at that time, but I—

Senator WONG: That time meaning the 5th November?

Ms Ward: On the 5th. But I will take that on notice.

...

Senator WONG: Leaving that aside, can you take on notice—I think you have—any additional material that was not released at the time.

Ms Ward: Certainly.

Senator WONG: Were any meetings held on the sidelines at the TPP signing ceremony?

Ms Ward: Yes.

Senator WONG: With whom?

Ms Ward: There was a plenary meeting of senior negotiators. There was a plenary meeting of all ministers, and there were a number of bilateral meetings organised between various parties.

Senator WONG: On notice, can you provide me with the itinerary and also the costs of that visit?

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Ms Ward: Certainly.

Answer

The costs incurred by DFAT for the 4 February 2016 TPP signing ceremony in Auckland were \$14,126.52. These were all travel-related costs for DFAT officials to attend the signing ceremony and associated meetings.

Former Trade and Investment Minister Robb's program for the Auckland visit, as completed, is below.

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Program begins

Wednesday 3 February 2016

- 1455 Arrive Auckland airport
- 1555 Arrive Sky City Grand Hotel
- 1600 - 1700 Australia-based business
- 1700 - 1800 Briefing with Officials
- 1800 - 1845 Bilateral meeting with Ambassador Mike Froman, United States Trade Representative
- 1900 - 2200 Dinner hosted by New Zealand for TPP Ministers and Chief Negotiators

Thursday 4 February 2016

- 0745 - 800 Bilateral meeting with Hon Todd McClay, Minister of Trade, New Zealand
- 0800 - 840 Australian media interviews
- 0845 - 900 Briefing for Ministers and Chief Negotiators
- 0900 - 1100 Meeting of TPP Ministers
- 1110 - 1125 Bilateral Meeting with Dato' Sri Mustapa bin Mohamed, Minister of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia
- 1130 - 1315 TPP Signing Ceremony and Press Conference
- 1400 - 1545 TPP Ministers' Lunch
- 1600 Depart for Auckland Airport
- 2005 Depart Auckland

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Senator Whish-Wilson

Question

Senator WHISH-WILSON: I know it sounds simplistic, but in my home town of Launceston if the hospital wanted to give a food contract to a local small business would that be subject to potential complaint by a foreign supply services company if the tender is given to a local business?

Ms Ward: No.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: It will not be, unless it is a state government owned—

Ms Ward: No, hospitals are exempt.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: They are exempt, are they? What other institutions are exempt?

Ms Ward: I would need to take that on notice.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: If you could please, thank you.

Answer

Australia's TPP government procurement commitments reflect consultations with State and Territory governments and are consistent with existing government procurement agreements such as Australia's bilateral agreements with United States, Chile, Japan and The Republic of Korea.

Section B of Australia's schedule lists the sub-central government entities that are subject to the TPP's Government Procurement Chapter. Whether an institution is subject to the TPP's government procurement commitments depends on its legal relationship with the entities listed in Section B.

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Senator Whish-Wilson

Question

Senator WHISH-WILSON: I would like that requirement changed so that we can outsource it to the Productivity Commission or someone independent. I am just trying to get an idea of what it would cost to get the independent analysis done of a deal like this. If you could assist me with how much time and resources you put into that, that would be very useful.

Senator GALLACHER: The World Bank did an analysis.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: Part of an analysis, yes. We will get to that later. Can you tell us how long it took to conduct the national interest analysis roughly? I suppose if you are providing the time and resources, I can work that out as well.

Ms Ward: I will take it on notice.

Answer

The NIA, in accordance with standard practice, is prepared by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. It is based on an assessment of the balance between obligations and rights struck under the agreement, whether those would lead to improvements in the terms and conditions of trade for our exporters, importers, civil society and government. It also takes into consideration the degree to which bringing the agreement into force impacts on Australia's laws and regulations. Developing the NIA is a process which begins when negotiations begin. Revised text, iterative improvements to market access offers and the degree to which the Agreement takes shape to address both the offensive and defensive interests of our stakeholders are taken into account. This assessment is conducted by Australian officials involved in the negotiations against our negotiating objectives which in turn are, in large part, informed by stakeholder submissions.

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Senator Whish-Wilson

Question

Senator WHISH-WILSON: Can a corporation use the most favoured nation provisions in the TPP such that standards contained in bilateral agreements can replace standards contained in the TPP? I can put them on notice.

Ms Ward: Please—if you would not mind.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: I will send them to you.

Ms Ward: My understanding is that you cannot treaty-shop using provisions of this treaty.

Answer

No.

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Senator Whish-Wilson

Question

Senator WHISH-WILSON: In relation to what I asked you, Ms Ward, about the most favoured nation status, does DFAT have any legal advice on how that works in line with existing ISDS clauses? If so, could I get a copy of that?

Mr Varghese: I do not know whether we do have legal advice but, if we do, we normally take the view that it is not made public and is considered, effectively, legal professional privilege.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: On a matter of public interest—a deal that is being negotiated on behalf of Australians? Why would that be?

Mr Varghese: Because legal advice to the government remains confidential to the government, and it would be up to the government to choose whether to share that legal advice in some other form or in full form. I am just saying what our practice is.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: So I will go through the channels to see if I can get a copy?

Mr Varghese: If it exists. I do not know if it exists.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: Minister, could you take that on notice? Senator Wong is a lot more experienced than I am, so I will ask you to take that on notice.

Senator WONG: They will say no. I can almost guarantee it.

Senator WHISH-WILSON: Minister, could you take that on notice, please.

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Answer

It has been the practice of successive governments not to disclose legal advice. No specific legal advice has been prepared on the general question of the relationship between Most-Favoured Nation (MFN) provisions and investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS).

The MFN obligation in the TPP Investment Chapter does not encompass international dispute resolution *procedures* or *mechanisms*, including ISDS. This means that no other treaty partner of Australia, past or future, could use the TPP ISDS outcome to gain access to, or gain improved access to, ISDS between it and Australia as a result of the TPP.

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: *Ms Ward, let's go back to the employer sponsorship requirements. Tell me if this is correct—what labour market testing, which is already required, would be preserved by that phrase 'employer sponsorship requirements'. You cannot tell me what existing labour market testing requirements might be preserved by that—correct?*

Ms Ward: *That is correct.*

Senator WONG: *So if you can take that on notice I would appreciate that.*

Ms Ward: *I will do so.*

...

Senator WONG: *What I also want to know is the extent to which a parliament could impose additional labour market testing that is not currently in existence pursuant to that provision.*

Ms Ward: *The agreement is concluded.*

Senator WONG: *I am asking a different point. I get that. I am not saying, 'Are we going to renegotiate an agreement?' Article 12 says you have to set out what your commitments are in relation to labour movement in your annex, and they are the only commitments you set out. We then say, 'Here in our annex we don't make a general reservation of labour market testing but we say in the definition that employer sponsorship requirements effectively will be maintained.' I am trying to understand the space that creates in terms of a future parliament.*

Ms Ward: *This is technical detail I am not across. I will take that on notice. The JSCOT process will be starting fairly shortly and there will be people able to answer those questions.*

...

Senator WONG: *Again, my question arises: to what extent does this enable, without breaching the TPP and without acting in a manner contrary to the agreement, a future parliament or a future government to impose additional protection such as labour market testing over and above what there currently is?*

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Ms Ward: I will take that on notice.

Answer

Article 12.4 of the Temporary Entry for Business Persons Chapter requires TPP Parties to specify in their schedules of commitments the conditions and limitations they wish to maintain for the grant of temporary entry. This requires Parties to explicitly reserve in their schedules the ability to apply numerical quotas or other forms of economic needs test, including the right to require labour market testing. Australia has not explicitly reserved the right to impose any form of economic needs testing. Accordingly, Australia has committed not to impose labour market testing or other forms of economic needs tests as a condition for temporary entry for categories where Australia has offered temporary entry commitments.

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: Thank you. I have a lot more questions on article 12 and the annexe. I would invite you to perhaps review my questions and provide us with a timely response. I will move on to the labour chapter. For question on notice No. 137, you advise me that labour chapter was finalised 'several years ago'. When was this chapter concluded, and what changes were made? That was question on notice No. 137, answer at paragraph 2: you made the point that this chapter was finalised several years ago. I want to know when it was finalised initially.

Ms Ward: It was finalised in 2014.

Senator WONG: Can you tell me: were there any changes made between 2014 and the signing of the text?

Ms Ward: I will have to take that on notice. The whole chapter underwent a legal scrub along with the entire 30 chapters and all of the schedules and annexes, so it is likely that some changes were made. I am not aware—

...

Senator WONG: Of course. You did it 'parallel track' as it were. If you could take on notice my question, which may well be covered by my earlier question for which you are going to give me a disk or a big document with lots of markings on it. Correct?

Ms Ward: Yes.

...

Senator WONG: Okay. In an interview on ABC radio on 4 February the minister said:

We've had extensive discussions over the labour chapter and they did influence the way that we went and there are for the first time labour provisions in this agreement that have never been there before which will ensure that in some countries which might be abusing youth workers and all the rest, that they will not be able to do that.

Can you tell me what are the provisions that will 'ensure' that member states will not abuse youth workers?

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Ms Ward: *The fundamental provisions of the chapter as set out in article 19.3.1, which requires 'each party shall adopt and maintain in its statutes and regulations the following rights as stated under the ILO declaration'.*

This includes:

... the effective abolition of child labour and, for the purposes of this Agreement, a prohibition on the worst forms of child labour;

Senator WONG: *When the minister says 'youth workers', is that a reference to child labour?*

Ms Ward: *That is my understanding.*

Senator WONG: *I was not being mischievous. I am just trying to clarify there is not anything further.*

Ms Ward: *That is my understanding.*

Senator WONG: *Okay. What is the reference to 'all the rest'? Do you know what he is denoting in that? It says:*

... which will ensure that in some countries which might be abusing youth workers and all the rest, that they will not be able to do that ...

Is that a reference to another class of worker?

Ms Ward: *I guess I am just understanding it on the face of the language he is using. I would understand it as, 'the other labour rights as stated under the ILO declaration'.*

Senator WONG: *Are you able, on notice, to provide the other elements of the labour chapter that benefit workers in TPP member countries?*

Ms Ward: *Yes.*

Answer

1. The Labour Chapter was largely completed by November 2014 and finalised, along with all other Chapters, in October 2015.
2. Changes were made to the Labour Chapter between November 2014 and the signing of the TPP agreement on 4 February 2016. See the response to question on notice No. 283.
3. The Labour Chapter reaffirms TPP Parties' obligations as members of the International Labour Organization (ILO) and requires Parties to have laws at the federal level of government that enshrine the following rights stated in the ILO Declaration:
 - a. freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;
 - b. the elimination of all forms of forced or compulsory labour;

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- c. the effective abolition of child labour and, for the purposes of this Agreement, a prohibition on the worst forms of child labour; and
- d. the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.

In addition, TPP Parties are required to have laws governing acceptable conditions of work relating to minimum wages, hours of work and occupational health and safety. The Chapter also prohibits TPP Parties from weakening the protections afforded to workers under their labour laws, or from failing to enforce them in a manner affecting trade or investment between the Parties.

TPP Parties have agreed to form a Labour Council with representatives from each Party. The Council's responsibilities will include: establishing priorities for cooperation and capacity building, facilitating public participation in, and awareness of, the implementation of the Chapter, and reviewing the implementation of the Chapter to ensure it is operating effectively.

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: I do not quite understand the various rights in terms of people's capacity to utilise an ISDS provision as between the TPP and a bilateral FTA. If I want to take an ISDS claim against a TPP partner—this is on the assumption that the agreement comes into force—do I have to choose under which agreement I take action?

Ms Ward: Yes.

Senator WONG: But I can choose?

Ms Ward: Yes.

Senator WONG: Does this agreement make it clear that, if you take action under a bilateral arrangement, you are then barred from taking action under the TPP?

Ms Ward: I am not sure about that. I would want to check that.

Senator WONG: You have placed some emphasis on the new safeguards in the TPP ISDS provisions. Those safeguards may not exist in some of the bilateral arrangements, right?

Ms Ward: That is correct. We have made a significant effort, in the margins of the TPP negotiations, where we have had bilateral investment promotion protection agreements to have those treaties removed.

Senator WONG: What you mean?

Ms Ward: For instance, a number of the side letters will reflect determination of bilateral investment promotion and protection agreements—with Mexico, Vietnam and Peru.

Senator WONG: Can we do this on notice?

Ms Ward: Yes.

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Senator WONG: Are you able to provide for me, and maybe in a tabular form might be best, which FTAs or IPPAs are relevant—that is, we have with TPP member nations—which have had their application altered by virtue of the process you have just outlined?

Ms Ward: Yes.

Senator WONG: And can you give us some comparison of those ISDS rights as compared to the TPP?

Ms Ward: Certainly. I can tell you that, where we have had a bilateral investment treaty, an IPPA, all of those with TPP parties have been terminated.

Answer

The TPP contains a safeguard against forum shopping in ISDS disputes (Article 9.21: Conditions and Limitations on Consent of Each Party). To submit a claim to arbitration under TPP, a claimant must waive its rights to initiate or continue parallel proceedings before any court or administrative tribunal under the law of any Party, or any other dispute settlement procedure (including pursuant to other Free Trade Agreements).

As part of the package of TPP outcomes, Australia has terminated its bilateral Investment Promotion and Protection Agreements (IPPA) with Mexico, Peru and Vietnam. These are the only IPPAs Australia has with other TPP Parties.

This means that once the terms of the termination letters are met (including entry into force of the TPP), investors from Mexico and Peru will only be able to commence an ISDS dispute against Australia under the TPP ISDS provisions, which include modern safeguards absent in those IPPAs. Investors from Vietnam will only be able to commence a dispute against Australia under the TPP or under the ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand FTA (AANZFTA).

A table showing the main differences between the safeguards in the TPP and in the IPPAs to be terminated is below.

The application of Australia's other FTAs will not be altered by virtue of this process. An investor of a TPP Party that is also a Party to another FTA with Australia may bring a claim under the relevant FTA (if it has ISDS), or under the TPP. Nonetheless, should an investor commence an ISDS proceeding under the TPP, that investor must waive its right to initiate or continue parallel proceedings before any court or administrative tribunal under the law of any Party, or any other dispute settlement procedure (including pursuant to that other FTA).

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Explicit recognition that TPP Parties have an inherent right to regulate to protect public welfare, including in the areas of health and the environment.	Included (Article 9.16: Investment and Environmental, Health and other Regulatory Objectives)	No explicit reference	No explicit reference	No explicit reference
Australia's tobacco control measures cannot be challenged.	Included (Article 29.5: Tobacco Control Measures)	Not included	Not included	Not included
Certain ISDS claims in specific policy areas in Australia cannot be challenged, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> social services established or maintained for a public purpose, such as social welfare, public education, health and public utilities measures with respect to creative arts, Indigenous traditional cultural expressions and other cultural heritage Australia's foreign investment policy, including decisions of the Foreign 	Included (Non-Conforming Measures, Annexes I and II)	Not included	Not included	Not included
		Not included	Not included	Not included
		Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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ISDS Safeguard	Trans-Pacific Partnership	Australia-Mexico IPPA	Australia-Peru IPPA	Australia-Vietnam IPPA
Investment Review Board.				
Non-discriminatory regulatory actions to safeguard public welfare objectives, such as public health, safety or the environment, do not constitute indirect expropriation, except in rare circumstances.	Included (Annex 9-B)	Carve-out for 'public purpose', but no specific references to public health or the environment. (Article 7: Expropriation and Compensation)	Carve-out for 'public purpose', but no specific references to public health or the environment. (Article 7: Expropriation and Nationalisation)	Carve-out for 'public purpose', but no specific references to public health or the environment. (Article 7: Expropriation and Nationalisation)
The fact that a subsidy or grant has not been issued or renewed, or has been reduced, does not breach the minimum standard of treatment obligation, even if it results in loss or damage to the investment. This includes subsidies issued under Australia's Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.	Included (Article 9.6: Minimum Standard of Treatment)	No explicit reference	No explicit reference	No explicit reference
An explicit statement that government action which may be inconsistent with an investor's expectations does not constitute a breach of the minimum standard of treatment obligation, even if it results in loss or damage to the	Included (Article 9.6: Minimum Standard of Treatment)	No explicit reference	No explicit reference	No explicit reference

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ISDS Safeguard	Trans-Pacific Partnership	Australia-Mexico IPPA	Australia-Peru IPPA	Australia-Vietnam IPPA
investment.				
An explicit statement that the concepts of “fair and equitable treatment” and “full protection and security” do not require treatment in addition to or beyond that which is required by the customary international law standard, and do not create additional substantive rights.	Included (Article 9.6: Minimum Standard of Treatment)	No explicit reference	No explicit reference	No explicit reference
Procedural Safeguards				
Requirement that hearings will be open to the public, and that documents filed in the arbitration, as well as the tribunal’s decision, will be made public.	Included (Article 9.24: Transparency of Arbitral Proceedings).	Not included, but the decision may be made public if the Parties agree. (Article 19: Awards and Enforcement)	Not included	Not included
Right for any TPP Party that is not involved in an ISDS case to make oral and written submissions.	Included (Article 9.23: Conduct of the Arbitration)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ability to permit submissions from interested individuals, including from civil society and non-governmental organisations.	Included (Article 9.23: Conduct of the Arbitration)	Not included	Not included	Not included
Explicit requirement that the burden of proof rests with the	Included (Article 9.23: Conduct of the	Not included	Not included	Not included

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ISDS Safeguard	Trans-Pacific Partnership	Australia-Mexico IPPA	Australia-Peru IPPA	Australia-Vietnam IPPA
claimant to establish its claim against a government.	Arbitration).			
Rules preventing a claimant pursuing a claim in parallel proceedings, such as before an Australian court.	Included (Article 9.21: Conditions and Limitations on Consent of Each Party)	Included (Article 13: Scope and Standing and Time Periods)	Not included	Not included
Expedited review of claims that are baseless, or manifestly without legal merit.	Included (Article 9.23: Conduct of the Arbitration)	Not included	Not included	Not included
Ability to issue interpretations of the Agreement, which must be followed by ISDS tribunals.	Included (Article 27.2: Functions of the Commission)	Not included	Not included	Not included
Mechanisms to disincentivise unmeritorious claims, such as through the award of costs against a claimant and the ability for a respondent government to recoup costs.	Included (Article 9.29: Awards)	Not included	An arbitral tribunal may decide that a higher proportion of the costs of an arbitration should be borne by one of the disputing parties. (Annex, paragraph 9)	An arbitral tribunal may decide that a higher proportion of the costs of an arbitration should be borne by one of the disputing parties. (Annex B, paragraph 9).
Interim review and award challenges.	Included (Article 9.29: Awards)	Not included	Not included	Not included
Time limits on bringing a claim.	Included (Article 9.21: Conditions and Limitations	Included (Article 13: Scope and Standing and Time	Not included	Not included

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	on Consent of Each Party)	Periods)		
A requirement for arbitrators to comply with rules on independence and impartiality, including on conflicts of interests.	Included (Article 9.22: Selection of Arbitrators)	Not included	Not included	Not included

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Program: DFAT

Topic: TPP

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: Does the effect of those words, and how people have broadly agreed to interpret them at this point of time, mean no change to the Australian system in terms of practice, procedure, administration or law; but it would make it more difficult for that system to be changed to reduce protection for data exclusivity? Do you get what I am saying?

Ms Ward: I do. I do not believe so. We worked very closely with the Department of Health, IP Australia and the Therapeutic Goods Administration in ensuring that Australia was not locked in to current procedures and that further reforms could be envisaged under this outcome.

Senator WONG: How do I get some sense of the space for that? What can I read or what can we look at that gives some clarity to what changes could be contemplated or how our ability to regulate further is preserved?

Ms Ward: I would like to take that on notice and think about it, because I do not think it is very straightforward. We are talking about all sorts of different processes here.

Senator WONG: Nothing in this area is straightforward.

Answer

Australia is already required to provide five years of data protection under the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement (AUSFTA) for all pharmaceutical products. The TPP does not impose any additional limitations on Australia's ability to alter its existing five years of data protection for pharmaceutical products.

Article 18.51 (Biologics) of the TPP provides that Parties may provide effective market protection to biologics either through eight years of data protection, or through five years of data protection, together with "other measures" and "market circumstances", to deliver a "comparable outcome". Australia will take the second option.

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Australia retains policy flexibility to determine the types of “other measures” and “market circumstances” that it will rely on to meet the TPP obligation. This flexibility includes with respect to any future changes to the operation of relevant Australian procedures. Australia has not bound itself to the 255 working day statutory period for evaluating applications for approval of pharmaceutical products or current Therapeutic Goods Administration processes, nor timeframes and processes for listing on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.

The TPP also specifically provides that each Party is free to determine the appropriate method of implementing the provisions of the intellectual property chapter.

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Question No 201

Program: DFAT

Topic: WTO Doha Round negotiations

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: Was the decision to end the Doha Round taken by the cabinet?

Ms Ward: I will have to take that on notice. If I could just add here—

Senator WONG: Really? You do not know whether it went to cabinet or not?

Mr Brown: There was a discussion in cabinet around the mandate for Nairobi and this issue was covered.

Answer

A cabinet process was undertaken prior to the WTO 10TH Ministerial Conference in December 2015. Cabinet agreed that Australia's interests would be best served by supporting efforts to draw a line under the Doha Round of negotiations and working towards rejuvenation of the WTO's negotiating function, including by supporting proposals to progress outstanding issues on the Doha Round agenda by other means, including plurilateral negotiations.

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Question No 202

Program: DFAT

Topic: Scottish Pacific Business Finance

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. In relation to answer to Question on Notice no. 148 from Supplementary Budget Estimates, it appears that the answer is partially incomplete.**
 - ***Please provide information on how and when this partnership eventuated.***
 - ***EFIC advised that the ‘partnership was initiated by EFIC’s former Head of Channel Management’. Who was that, when did he or she leave EFIC and what role do they have now.***
 - ***Who is, or was at the time, Scottish Pacific’s Head of Trade Finance.***

- 2. EFIC also previously advised in that response that ‘no other non-bank partners were considered’, but that ‘EFIC continually considers potential alliance partnerships’.**
 - ***How do these statements fit together?***

Answer

1.

- The partnership eventuated on 25 June 2015, with preliminary discussions formally commencing in late 2013. In regards to how the partnership eventuated, it came about as a result of Scottish Pacific’s implementation of a specific export finance product, Efic’s focus on improving its reach to small exporters (who may lack traditional banking relationships) and the potential to complement each other’s focus for the benefit of Australian exporters (Efic’s provides pre-shipment finance to exporters, while Scottish Pacific provides post-shipment finance).

- Mr Alex Fernandez. He left Efic on 29 May 2015 and is now Senior Manager Commercial Markets at Indigenous Business Australia.

- Mr Craig Michie.

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2.

'No other non-bank partners where considered'

Each partnership Efic enters into is generally bespoke and dependent on the product and/or service offerings of the proposed partner. Partnerships are not exclusive and do not prohibit partnerships with other financial institutions. The main aim of the partnership with Scottish Pacific was to generate referrals and boost awareness of Efic's services (at no cost) amongst small business that may lack traditional banking relationships. Scottish Pacific is one of the largest non-bank financiers in Australia and, like Efic, is focused on Small-to-Medium Enterprises (SMEs) including those that export.

'EFIC continually considers potential alliance partnerships'

Efic has a dedicated alliance team whose task is to build and strengthen Efic's relationships and alliance partnerships with entities that help SME exporters (e.g. financiers, financial advisors, accountants, and industry groups). The primary purpose of these relationships is to ensure SME exporters are aware of Efic's services when financing constraints are constraining viable export opportunities. The team will continue to investigate partnerships (informal and formal), including other non-bank financiers, if there is benefit to Australian exporters.

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Question No 203

Program: DFAT

Topic: Turnaround time

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

1. *EFIC has reduced its average turnaround times on transactions from 100 days to 77 days, and from 140 days for complex transactions 80 days.*
 - *How do these turnaround times compare with other finance institutions.*
 - *Is EFIC targeting to reduce these turnaround times even further. If so, please describe. If not, why not.*

Answer

1.
 - It is difficult to compare Efic turnaround times with other financial institutions, as there are large disparities between Efic and other financiers with respect to factors such as target market, product offerings and focus.
 - Efic SME Team has a target of reducing average turnaround times for SME facilities to 30 days by June 2017. To assist in meeting this target, Efic has a Continuous Improvement Team, which is tasked to implement productivity and process improvements across Efic's SME business. At present, turnaround times are around 50 days.

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Question No 204

Program: DFAT

Topic: Business weeks

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

1. In relation to *EFIC's* participation in each of the Government's Business Weeks in 2015:

- *Who attended on behalf of EFIC.*
- *What was the purpose of EFIC's involvement.*
- *Did EFIC achieve any outcomes as a result of this participation. If so, please describe.*
- *What were EFIC's associated costs.*

2. What Business Weeks will *EFIC* participate in over 2016, and who will attend.

3. Does *EFIC* have outcome targets or a strategy relating to what it would like to obtain from its time and resource investment in these weeks. If so, please describe. If not, are there other KPIs. If so, please describe. If not, why not.

Answer

1.

- Efic participated in two international Business Weeks in 2015 – Australian Business Week in India (ABWI) and Indonesia-Australia Business Week (IABW).
- Efic staff attendance:
 - ABWI: Karin Kobelentz (then) Director, Corporate, Sovereign, Project Finance;
 - IABW: Andrew Hunter, Efic's Managing Director and CEO and Phil Paterson Director, Corporate, Sovereign, Project Finance.

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- The purpose of Efic's involvement in the international Business Weeks was to:
 - Engage with Australian exporters (and financiers) who were seeking to enter or increase their operations in these emerging markets and those who could benefit from Efic financing.
 - Obtain a greater understanding of the respective markets and, in particular, the key opportunities and risks facing Australian exporters
- Efic obtained a greater insight into the relevant markets and was able to educate relevant financiers, businesses and other stakeholders with respect to Efic's products and services. Both events were well attended by the private sector – the ABWI had 450 delegates and the IABW had 360 delegates.

Ongoing engagement with Australian exporters on potential Efic support is a typical outcome of such Business Weeks. For example, since the IABW, Efic has been engaged with an advanced manufacturer looking to export equipment to Indonesia. This potential export contract is worth over A\$100 million.
- The (approximate) costs:
 - ABWI: A\$6,300.
 - IABW: A\$12,300 (this total includes additional flights/accommodation, as one Efic representative attended additional meetings with exporters, financiers and advisors whilst in the region of South-East Asia).

2. Efic is participating in the upcoming Australian Week in China (AWIC), which is being held in April 2016. Efic's Head of Origination SME, Steve Kemp, is attending.
3. All travel undertaken by staff in their capacity as Efic employees requires a business case to be established and managerial approval to be obtained prior to the proposed travel.

Outcome targets for Efic's attendance at the AWIC include:

- Increasing awareness of Efic's products and services amongst delegates, particularly small Australian exporters looking to export or invest in China.
- Obtaining a greater understanding of the Chinese market, with a focus on business streams most relevant to Efic such as Innovation, Premium Foods & Beverages and Agribusiness.

In addition, the Efic representative will be:

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- Visiting Austrade's China offices, with the aim of discussing collaboration and information sharing when supporting small exporters into China.
- Meeting local banks, in order to discuss how they can work with Efic to assist Australian exporters with operations in China.

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Question No 205

Program: DFAT

Topic: Iraq

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Please provide an update on any remaining involvement by EFIC regarding the final payouts from the Iraq debt default on Australian Wheat that arose from the first Gulf War in 1990.

- *Is EFIC involved in the Iraq Funds Distribution Project managed by Ferrier Hodgson. If so please describe.*

Answer

Iraq has paid all principal and interest instalments in full and on time, pursuant to an agreement with the Paris Club group of creditor nations. Efic continues to administer the debt repayments on behalf of Australian creditors. Efic remits Iraq payments to Agrium Asia Pacific (International) Pty Limited, which has retained Ferrier Hodgson Corporate Advisory to manage and operate the process of identifying and contacting the growers who participated in the export of wheat to Iraq, and to distribute instalments as funds are received from Iraq.

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Question No 206

Program: DFAT

Topic: Free Trade Agreements

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. How is the Department monitoring the implementation and usage of the North Asian bilateral FTAs that came into effect in the past 14 months.**
 - **What measures are used.**
 - **Will the Department post results on its website or otherwise make available to the public.**
- 2. The Korea-Australia FTA has been in force the longest of the three recent FTAs, what impact on the economy and on jobs has this FTA had since its implementation.**
- 3. DFAT commissioned and paid for two economic modelling studies by CIE relating to these agreements – one specific to KAFTA (March 2014) and one relating the three recent North Asian FTAs (12 June 2015).**
 - **How are the actual results comparing to the modelled results.**
 - **Have there been any Rules of Origin (including different certification rules) issues arising from any of the FTAs.**

Answer

1. The Department monitors trade flows after FTA implementation and reports on the results to the government. As regards FTA utilisation, analysis of preference uptake by Australian goods exporters requires customs clearance data from the FTA partner, which the Department analyses where available. This method informed DFAT's submission to the inquiry by the Joint Selection Committee on Trade and Investment Growth on business experience in utilising Australia's Free Trade Agreements. The Department also monitors FTA utilisation and implementation on the basis of stakeholder feedback.

2. Implementation of KAFTA since 12 December 2014 has been smooth, with positive business feedback gathered through the outreach program conducted by DFAT and Austrade. Given the range of factors that impact on economic

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performance and on employment levels, it is not possible to isolate and attribute economic impacts to KAFTA conclusively.

3. The economic modelling completed by CIE in 2014 and 2015 projected that KAFTA, JAEPA and ChAFTA would have a positive impact on the Australian economy, compared to the baseline scenario of Australia not entering into these agreements. It is not possible to observe the baseline scenario empirically.

Business feedback has been positive, consistent with the agreements allowing Australia to better compete in these markets, as well as access cheaper imported inputs.

Through KAFTA, Australian businesses doing business with Korea received similar or equal access to Korea markets that the US and EU had already obtained in their respective trade deals. In the cases of JAEPA and ChAFTA, both agreements enabled Australian business to receive first mover advantage across a range of goods and services.

For KAFTA and JAEPA, the rules of origin and certification issues that have occurred have been relatively few and concentrated around the immediate post entry into force period of the agreements. Such issues are being effectively addressed through working level contacts. There have been some early issues on documentation under CHAFTA which DFAT, with DIBP, has been addressing with China Customs.

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Question No 207

Program: DFAT

Topic: KAFTA

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Senator Wong

Question

In relation to committee meetings pursuant to KAFTA:

- 1. Please provide a copy of the agenda, minutes and supporting documents he KAFTA Joint Committee first met in Manila on 16 November 2015.*
- 2. When and where will the following other KAFTA committee meetings be held, and who will represent Australia:*
 - A. Committee on Trade in Goods,*
 - B. Committee on Rules of Origin and Trade Facilitation,*
 - C. Committee on OPZs on the Korean Peninsula,*
 - D. Committee on Financial Services,*
 - E. Working Group on Professional Services,*
 - F. Committee on Intellectual Property, and*
 - G. Joint Committee.*
 - H. Please provide costs associated with each of these committee meetings.*

Answer

1. A copy of the Joint Statement for the KAFTA Joint Committee meeting held on 16 November 2015 is available at <http://dfat.gov.au/trade/agreements/kafta/implementation/Pages/past-meetings.aspx> .
2. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is currently working with the Korean Government to determine the location and level of government representation for each of the KAFTA implementation committees.

The Committee on Overseas Processing Zones (OPZ) on the Korean Peninsula met for the second time on 2 February 2016. The Australian Co-Chair was Assistant

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Secretary, FTA Legal Issues and Advocacy Branch, of DFAT's Free Trade Agreement Division.

The Committee on Trade in Goods met on 24 March 2016. The Australian delegation was led by the First Assistant Secretary of DFAT's Free Trade Agreement Division. We are seeking to hold the Committee on Financial Services, Committee on Rules of Origin and Trade Facilitation and the Working Group on Professional Services in the first half of 2016. Both will be led at officials' level.

Australia and Korea have agreed that the Committee on Intellectual Property need not be held at this time.

A second KAFTA Joint Committee meeting has not yet been scheduled.

For the meetings held to date, the Free Trade Agreement Division in DFAT has expended approximately \$21,000 (which includes airfares, accommodation, other associated travel costs, venue and official hospitality costs).

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Question No 208

Program: DFAT

Topic: Japan-Australia Economic Partnership Agreement (JAEPA)

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Senator Wong

Question

In relation to the 13 committees established pursuant to JAEPA:

- A. What committees will meet in 2016.*
- B. When and where will each committee meeting be held.*
- C. Who will represent Australia at each.*
- D. Will a copy of agendas, minutes and supporting documents be made available? If so, where. If not, why not.*
- E. Will consultations be held in relation to an Investor-State Dispute Resolution (ISDS) mechanism for JAEPA, as a result of Australia subsequently negotiating an ISDS provision in ChAFTA. If so, will there be public consultations.*
- F. Has DFAT increased staffing levels to accommodate these committee meetings and additional work under JAEPA. If so, please describe, including costings.*

Answer

A. Australian officials are discussing possible timings for the next meetings of the JAEPA Joint Committee and other subsidiary bodies with Japanese officials.

B. The timing and locations of committee meetings are being discussed with Japanese officials. At its meeting in October 2015, the Sub-Committee on Promotion of a Closer Economic Relationship agreed to meet again in 2016. Some meetings may be held in the margins of other international meetings or via videoconference.

C. Australia will be represented by Government officials from relevant agencies. The Joint Committee may be chaired at ministerial level.

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D. Information about past and upcoming meetings under JAEPA is available on the DFAT

website: <http://dfat.gov.au/trade/agreements/jaepa/implementation/Pages/implementation.aspx>. Meeting documents such as joint statements or summaries of discussions are available on the DFAT website after meetings. In keeping with normal international procedure, any meeting information provided publicly would need to be agreed by both Australia and Japan.

E. Australia and Japan have commenced discussions on the review obligations of the JAEPA investment chapter. No decisions have been taken.

F. No.

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Question No 209

Program: DFAT

Topic: China Australia Free Trade Agreement

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Senator Wong

Question

In relation to ChAFTA committees:

- A. How many committees will be established pursuant to ChAFTA.*
- B. Since ChAFTA came into effect on 20 December 2015, have any ChAFTA related committees been formed, met, or scheduled meetings? If so, please provide details.*
- C. How will DFAT staff and service these committees. Will there be increased staff demands or numbers. What is the estimated cost of participation in these ChAFTA committees.*

Answer

A. ChAFTA establishes a Joint FTA Commission and eight subsidiary committees.

B. No. We are discussing timing for meetings of the FTA Joint Commission and subsidiary committees with Chinese officials.

C. DFAT staff will coordinate with counterpart officials and Australian Government agencies; consult with business; provide policy advice to ministers; and coordinate and participate in meetings. There is no planned increase in overall staff numbers. The cost of participation in ChAFTA committees will depend on the frequency of meetings and where they are held.

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Question No 210

Program: DFAT

Topic: North Asia FTAs

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. What is the annual cost of Australia's participation in all committees under each of these North Asian FTAs.***
- 2. What is the annual cost of Australia's participation in committees under all of its FTAs.***

Answer

1. The annual cost will vary depending upon the number of meetings held and the location of each meeting.
2. A disproportionate amount of limited departmental resources would be required to provide the answer to this question.

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Question No 211

Program: DFAT

Topic: North Asia FTAs

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. What has Government spent to date on its FTA promotion campaign and activities to promote these North Asian FTAs.**
 - **What funds have been committed to further future promotions, and across what time frame.**
 - **What are the tangible results to the economy and jobs from this promotional activity spending.**

Answer

Expenditure on FTA information seminars for the period 1 June to 31 October 2015 was provided in QoN145. For the period 1 November 2015 to 29 February 2016, DFAT and Austrade have together spent a combined total of approx. \$100,000 (ex GST) on running the FTA information seminars. This figure includes venue charges, collateral printing and production costs, freight costs, and associated travel costs for departmental officials.

Additionally, DFAT has spent approx. \$550,770 (ex GST) on FTA Portal development and delivery including hosting and servicing (from 1 July 2016 – 31 March 2016).

As part of the 2015-16 Federal budget, Austrade received \$21.6 million over 2015-17 for an FTA campaign, onshore FTA seminar series, FTA Training Provider Grant and offshore activities to promote the FTAs. As at 29 February \$15,071,783 had been spent.

What funds have been committed to further future promotions, and across what time frame.

For the remainder of the period for which this Budget measure was proposed (2015-16 and 2016-17), it is intended that DFAT will spend the allocated funds as follows:

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- Further refinement of the FTA Portal: The total value of the contract with NICTA for Portal development and delivery, including hosting and servicing, is \$1,020,519 over two years. The project is on budget and spending is in line with contractual terms.

DFAT and Austrade also will continue to roll out the program of FTA information seminars across Australia, but this program has not been finalised.

What are the tangible results to the economy and jobs from this promotional activity spending.

Overall

As a whole, the FTA promotional efforts are boosting awareness among the small business community, and this is increasing the chance they will understand and use these important FTAs. The data for the first full calendar years of trade for Korea and Japan are very encouraging in this regard, and the utilisation data also for JAEPA is very strong. Growth in exports of this nature will over time boost economic growth and employment in the sectors where protection is being removed in these markets.

For Korea:

Raw trade data and anecdotal evidence suggests very good uptake, particularly for agriculture. For example, between calendar 2014 and 2015:

- exports of fresh cherries increased more than ten-fold in value, from \$354,000 to \$4.3 million, as the tariff immediately dropped from 24 per cent to zero on entry into force;
- exports of chipping potatoes jumped almost 64 per cent from \$4.3 million to \$7 million, as the high 30 per cent tariff was eliminated for Australia during the December-April Australian growing season;
- shelled macadamia exports more than doubled from \$4.5 million to \$10.4 million, as the tariff dropped from 30 per cent to 18 per cent;
- exports of fresh and chilled beef saw a 37 per cent increase in value, and frozen beef exports increased by almost 30 per cent, when tariffs on both dropped from 40 per cent to 34.6 per cent on 1 January 2015 (on 1 January 2016, these tariffs were reduced further to 31.9 per cent and will reduce each year until set at zero);
- exports of bottled wine jumped by more than 54 per cent, as the 15 per cent tariff was eliminated; and
- exports of pigments and preparations containing titanium dioxide - used in products ranging from paint to sunscreen and cosmetics - more than doubled in value, to more than \$74 million, after the 6.5 per cent tariff was eliminated.

We are working with Korea to establish a regular trade data exchange for trade receiving preferential FTA access. We need Korea's cooperation on this issue, as only Korea can provide the details of what Australian trade is getting preferential access under KAFTA.

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For **Japan**:

Like the results for Korea, raw trade data and anecdotal evidence suggests very good uptake, particularly for agriculture. Additionally, Japan makes data publicly-available allowing calculation of uptake of FTA preferences. On DFAT's internal calculations, this data suggests that, between January and November 2015, at least 80 per cent of Australian exports that were eligible for a JAEPA preference used that preference – a very strong result, demonstrating excellent practical benefits of the FTA for Australian exporters.

In terms of the trade data, between calendar 2014 and 2015:

- exports of fresh table grapes rose more than ten-fold, from \$0.6 million to \$6.5 million, when JAEPA cut the seasonal tariff (November to February) from 7.8 per cent to 5.9 per cent;
- shelled almond exports also rose more than ten-fold, from \$0.4 million to \$5.4 million, as tariffs on shelled almonds were eliminated;
- exports of fresh beef grew by 22 per cent, with tariffs falling from 38.5 per cent to 31.5 per cent;
- exports of frozen beef tongue - a delicacy in Japan - saw remarkable gains, jumping by 89 per cent when the tariff dropped from 12.8 per cent to 7.6 per cent;
- exports of rolled oats and fresh asparagus increased 53 per cent and 23 per cent respectively, all under the tariff reductions delivered by JAEPA; and
- tariff reductions on wine have seen the value of bulk wine exports more than double, to \$5.5 million.

For **China**, because we only have two months' data since that agreement's entry into force, this is preliminary and likely to be volatile, particularly given the effects of the changing timing of Lunar New Year between 2015 and 2016. Nevertheless, there are promising early signs of significant increases in exports of products such as frozen beef; lobster and abalone; cheese; fresh mangoes, cherries and grapes; and bottled wine.

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Question No 212

Program: DFAT

Topic: FTA Tariff Portal

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Please provide site statistics for the new FTA Portal (www.ftaportal.dfat.gov.au) since the site was released publicly on 9 October 2015.**
- 2. Regarding the North Asia FTA seminar series:**
 - a) What is the duration of each seminar.**
 - b) Who typically presents the seminars.**
 - c) Do the presenters fly to the location for the sole purpose of the seminar presentation.**
 - d) What staff and travel costs are associated with these seminars.**
 - e) What additional efforts did DFAT take to increase attendance prior to running seminars.**
 - Please provide the attendance levels, costs and outcomes of the seminars held in November and December 2015.**
 - Please provide details of all seminars planned for 2016, including locations, costs, and presenters.**
- 3. Are the FTA promotional activities having the desired effect of significantly increasing SME export activity to these markets?**

Answer

Q1. Since the site was released publicly on 9 October 2015, until 21 March 2016, there have been over 13,000 sessions on the FTA Portal, by more than 7,000 unique users. This equates to more than 107,000 page views.

Q2.

- a) The usual duration for each seminar is three hours (typically 9am-12pm).

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b) Seminars include a presentation by a DFAT and Austrade representative, and a panel including experts from DFAT, Austrade, AusIndustry, EFIC, MP (where in attendance) and Austrade's TradeStart network.

Most seminars also include a moderated discussion with a local business that is already exporting, to share their experience.

The local MP is invited to the event. Federal Government ministers have attended some of the seminars.

c) Where possible, representatives who need to travel to attend the seminars combine participation with meetings with state and local government, business associations and peak bodies, and individual businesses.

d) Please see answer to part 1 of QoN 211. Staffing costs are managed centrally and a disproportionate amount of limited departmental resources would be required to provide the answer to this question.

e) Austrade draws on its client management database to identify relevant businesses located in and around the event location and distributes electronic invitations directly to those businesses. A copy of the electronic invitation is provided to stakeholders such as DFAT, AusIndustry, Tradestart, Efic, industry associations, corporate partners and state and territory governments for circulation. A copy of the invitation is also provided to the office of the participating Minister and the local member. Austrade and partner agencies also use social media channels to promote the events.

DFAT supports promotion of the seminars by reaching out to our regular business stakeholders, including state government, local councils and business chambers, and a wide variety of industry associations and peak bodies, to promote the seminars and encourage attendance. DFAT also promotes the events on our social media platforms and, where appropriate, we also have promoted the events in media interviews.

. Following is the list of FTA information seminars conducted in November and December 2015, including attendance levels. Total expenditure (DFAT and Austrade combined) for the November and December 2015 seminars was approximately \$69,100. This figure includes venue charges, collateral printing and production costs, freight costs, and associated travel costs for departmental officials. The overwhelmingly positive feedback we have received indicates participants are finding the seminars a useful introduction to FTAs and the opportunities on offer.

November-December 2015 Seminars:

Date	Location	State/Territory	Audience
2 November 2015	Windsor	NSW	24
5 November 2015	Gosford	NSW	25
6 November 2015	Darwin	NT	31

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16 November 2015	Hobart	TAS	20
17 November 2015	Launceston	TAS	17
17 November 2015	Burnie	TAS	14
19 November 2015	Bunbury	WA	23
20 November 2015	Perth	WA	29
27 November 2015	Winchelsea	VIC	37
4 December 2015	Bundaberg	QLD	25
Total	10		245

- Following is the list of FTA information seminars conducted already in 2016. The format and presenters for the 2016 seminars has not changed (see above for a description of the format).

Seminar costs for the period 1 January to 29 February 2016 were approx. \$28,000 (ex GST). This figure includes venue charges, collateral printing and production costs, freight costs, and associated travel costs for departmental officials.

We do not have final expenditure figures for the seminars conducted in March 2016 yet, as this month has just concluded.

2016 Seminars to date

Date	Location	State/Territory	Audience
8 March 2016	Beaumaris	VIC	106
10 March 2015	Berwick	VIC	23
11 March 2015	Ringwood East	VIC	42
21 March 2015	Lilydale	VIC	40
22 March 2015	Wollongong	NSW	31
23 March 2015	Tullamarine	VIC	74
31 March 2015	Newcastle	NSW	41
Total	6		357

As further seminar dates and locations are confirmed, the details will be posted on the Austrade website (www.austrade.gov.au/ftaseminars).

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Q3. Please see answer to the last part of QoN 211.

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Question No 213

Program: DFAT

Topic: Australia-India Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

1. In response to Question on Notice no. 126 from Supplementary Budget Estimates, DFAT re-iterated that the "parties are working towards conclusion of Australia-India CECA negotiations by the end of this year [2015]".

A. Have the negotiations concluded.

B. At what stage are the negotiations.

C. Why were the negotiations not completed by the end of 2015.

D. What chapters are closed.

E. What are the key areas to be resolved.

2. Will there be a movement of natural persons chapter in this agreement.

A. If so, is this chapter concluded.

B. Does, or will, the chapter reserve policy space for labour market testing. If not, why not.

Answer

1A. No.

B. There have been nine formal rounds of negotiations since CECA was launched in May 2011. The ninth round took place in New Delhi on 21-23 September 2015. Intensive discussions were held throughout 2015 and contacts continuing.

C. While the end-2015 target for conclusion of CECA has passed, progress was made last year. The Government remains committed to the prompt conclusion of a commercially meaningful agreement.

D-E. It would not be appropriate to comment on the details of ongoing negotiations.

2A-B. As per response to questions 1 D&E.

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Question No 214

Program: DFAT

Topic: Indonesia-Australia Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

In November 2015, Mr Robb announced that Indonesia and Australia would recommence negotiations on this trade agreement in 2016.

- A. Have negotiations commenced.*
- B. When and where are the 2016 negotiation meetings.*
- C. Minister Robb also announced that negotiations on the IA-CEPA could be concluded within 12 months. Is this timeframe agreed by both sides. Is it feasible.*

Answer

- A. Chief Negotiators met in March 2016 and the third round of negotiations is scheduled for May 2016.
- B. Parties have agreed to meet in Indonesia in May for the third round of negotiations. We expect the forward schedule of negotiation meetings will be discussed at this meeting.
- C. In their 16 March press conference, Ministers (Ciobo and Lembong) identified 12 to 18 months as a potential timeframe for conclusion of the negotiations.

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Question No 215

Program: DFAT

Topic: Australia-Gulf Cooperation Council Free Trade Agreement

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Please provide an update on negotiations on the Australian Gulf Cooperation Council Free Trade Agreement.***
- 2. Has there been any progress on this agreement since the foreign ministers approved resumption of FTA negotiations in March 2014. If not, why not.***
- 3. Is the Government still pursuing this FTA.***

Answer

1. Negotiations on an Australia-GCC FTA have not recommenced since the GCC halted all its FTA negotiations in 2009.
2. Until the recent GCC announcement to resume negotiations with China in the context of Chinese President Xi's visit to Saudi Arabia, the GCC had not decided to recommence negotiations with any country. It is unclear at this time which countries the GCC will prioritise for further negotiations.
3. Yes.

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Question No 216

Program: DFAT

Topic: Mr Colbeck's Middle East visit

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

1. What was the full cost of Minister Colbeck's trip to the Middle East in January 2016. Please provide details broken down by the following categories (flights, accommodation, hospitality, details of any upgrades received).

2. How many staff accompanied the Minister. Please specify number of staff, whether from Department or Ministerial office, full costs of staff travel, any flight or accommodation upgrades received.

3. Were any events hosted in any of Australia's official posts in the Middle East including but not limited to:

United Arab Emirates (UAE), Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

United Arab Emirates (Australian Embassy - Abu Dhabi)

United Arab Emirates (Australian Consulate-General - Dubai)

Kuwait (Australian Embassy - Kuwait)

Saudi Arabia (Australian Embassy - Riyadh)

Egypt (Australian Embassy - Cairo).

4. What was the nature of the events. Please specify date, time, exact location, event title, full costs, including a specific listing of food and beverage menu, attendee names and companies or organisations represented.

5. Were any attendees at any events listed on the Register of Lobbyists. If so please specify whom.

6. Please provide a full itinerary of Mr Colbeck's trip.

Answer

1. The Department of Finance (DOF) is responsible for the cost of airfares, accommodation, meals and incidentals, ground transport, non-portfolio-related hospitality and incidentals for Ministers and their staff. DOF tables a document on Ministerial Travel expenses every six months. The last report

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was for the period 1 January to 30 June 2015.

2. Senator Colbeck was accompanied by one adviser for the duration of the trip. He was accompanied by a DFAT officer in Doha and Kuwait and by two Austrade officers (two in Riyadh; one only in Dubai and Doha), none of whom received flight or accommodation upgrades. The DFAT officer's participation cost \$12,773.34. The Austrade officers' participation cost \$12,305.12 and \$12,606.05 respectively.
3. Yes.
4. Senator Colbeck attended the annual Australia Day reception organised by the Australian Embassy in Riyadh on 27 January. The event took place at the Australian Embassy from 7.30pm until 9.30pm. The event cost \$35,461, which was covered by sponsorships. An invitee list is attached, including companies and organisations represented. Approximately 480 persons from this list attended the event. Detail of the food and beverages served is attached.
5. None of those listed on the Register of Lobbyists were on the reception invitee list nor attended the event.

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6. Full itinerary for Senator Colbeck's trip:

Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying staff
UAE (Dubai) Qatar (Doha) Kuwait (Kuwait City) Saudi Arabia (Riyadh)	23 to 30 January 2016	8	<u>Dubai</u> 24 January 2016 <u>Doha</u> 24-25 January 2016 <u>Kuwait City</u> 25-26 January 2016 <u>Riyadh</u> 26-29 January 2016 Adviser: Dr Vanessa Findlay DFAT officer to Doha and Kuwait City only: Ms Lucy Carlsen Austrade officer in Dubai, Doha and Riyadh only: Mr Martin Ferreyra Austrade officer in Riyadh only: Mr Tony Eyres

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Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying staff
-	Dubai:	Met: H.E. Sultan bin Saeed Al Mansouri, UAE Minister of Economy; H.E. Mohammed Al Shaibani, CEO and Executive Director of the UAE Sovereign Wealth Fund, Investment Corporation of Dubai; H.H. Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed Al Maktoum, Chairman and CEO of Emirates Airline and Emirates Group; H.E. Helal Almarri, Director General of Dubai Department of Tourism, Commerce and Marketing. Officially opened the Australia Unlimited MENA 2016 program with Mr Saed Al Awadi, CEO Dubai Exports. Witnessed the MOU signing between Dubai Exports, Department of Economic Development and Austrade. Toured the University of Wollongong Dubai Campus and attended a reception for UAE alumni of Australian universities.	
-	Doha:	Met: H.E. Rabea Al Kaabi, Deputy Minister of Education; H.E. Sheikh Ahmed bin Jassim Al Thani, Minister of Economy and Commerce; H.E Akbar Al Baker, CEO of Qatar Airways; Mr Youssef Hegazy, Vice President of Business Development, Hassad Foods; Mr Andrew Goodman, Vice President of Operations and Assets, Hassad Foods; Gary Spiel, Executive Manager - Business Development, Global Grains. Attended the official opening of Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Best Practice Knowledge Sharing Roundtable.	
-	Kuwait City:	Met: Professor Hamed Alazemi, Undersecretary, Ministry of Higher Education. Visited the Dasman Diabetes Institute, toured the Box Hill College, attended a business networking event and gave local media interviews.	
-	Riyadh:	Met: HE Dr Tawfiq Al-Rabiah, Minister of Commerce and Industry; H.E. Dr Ahmed bin Mohammed Al-Eissa, Minister of Education; Dr Abdulaziz Aluwaisheg, Assistant Secretary General for Foreign Affairs, Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC); Dr Salah Al-Bukhyet, Vice President, Saudi Commission for Tourism and Antiquity (SCTA); Mr Abdullah Al Dubaikhi, CEO, Saudi Agriculture and Livestock Investment Company (SALIC); H.E. Dr Ahmed bin Fahd Al-Fuhaid, Governor, Technical and Vocational Training Corporation; Mr Mohammed Al Nawaiser, Vice President, Saudi Football Federation. Participated in an investment roundtable focused on food and agriculture, mining and resources ; toured Aviation Australia Riyadh College of Excellence and the King Saud University.	

YOUR TASTE BUDS DESERVE A TREAT

Australia Embassy
400 persons
January 27, 2016

COCKTAIL DINATOIRE MENU

COLD CANAPES

Smoked Salmon Roses, Horseradish, Capers and Lemon Cream
Choux filled with Brie cheese and Walnut
Black and Green Olives Tapenade Millefeuille
Tuna Fish Mousse with Spring Onion in Barquette
Cherry Tomato with Mozzarella, Pesto Coulis (Vegetarian)

SOUP

Pumpkin Soup flavor with Lemongrass

HOT AMUSE BOUCHE

Ratatouille Quiche (Vegetarian)
Creamy Mushrooms Tartlet with cheese fondue (Vegetarian)
Australian Meat Pie

CHARCOAL BBQ STATION

Lemongrass Chicken Skewer Vietnamese Style
Australian Beef Satay with light Spicy Peanuts Sauce
BBQ Charcoal Grill Shrimps Yakitori

CARVING STATION

Roast Leg of Lamb, Peppered Mint Gravy

VEGETARIAN STATION

Grilled Vegetables Skewer with 2 Dipping Sauces
Spinach and Provolone Cheese grilled
Sauteed Baby Potato with Rosemary

DESSERTS RHAPSODY

Lamingtons, Pavlova,
Om Ali and Croissant Butter Pudding with English Custard
Fruits Balls Cocktail in Pineapple

BEVERAGES

Mineral Water, Soft Drinks, Chilled Fruit Juices
Coffee and Tea

SR 150 net per Person



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Title (e.g. H.E. Mr, Dr, Eng etc), (If spouse: Mr & Mrs etc)	First name	Surname	Position	Organisation	Spouse (Y/N)	Cards (Y/N)	Count incl. spouse (Please leave this column.)
Mr	Manolis	Papas	Special Projects Director MENA EU	Omiros One Architecture (Middle East)			1
Mr	Ali	Al Rakban	Managing Director, Agriculture & Food Sector	Al Faisaliah Group Holding			1
Ms	Banan	Abutair	Founder & CEO	3C- ClientCareCen ter	N	N	1
Mr & Mrs	Aman	Sheikh	Executive Director Head of Securitisaion & Structuring	ABC Islamic Bank	y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Samer	Hamadeh		Abdul Latif Jameel Group	y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Mohamm ad	Abunayya n	Chairman	Acwa Holding	y	y	2
Mr & Mrs	Rajit	Nanda	Chief Investment Officer	ACWA Power International	y	N	2
Eng	Ibrahim	Al Eid	Director Metropolitan Planning	ADA			1
Eng	Ibrahim	Al Shaye	General Manager Infrastructure and Env	ADA			1
Eng	Abdulaziz	Al Sheikh	Vice President	ADA			1
HE	Ibrahim	Al Sultan	President ADA	ADA			1
Eng	Mansour	AlDamesh	Director for Regulatory and Economic Planning	ADA			1

Eng	Tariq	AlFaris	Vice President	ADA			1
Eng	Abdulrahman	AlShalan	Director for Transportation Planning	ADA			1
Eng	Ahmed	AlSubail	General Director, Strategic urban Planning	ADA			1
Eng	Ahmad	AlTwijiri	Director for the Strategic Plan for Riyadh Region	ADA			1
Dr.	Sulaiman	Al-Turki	Ministry of Finance, Saudi Arabia	Advisor to Minister for Finance	N	y	1
Mr & Mrs	Turki	Al Qabari	Project Manager	Agricultural Development Fund	y	N	2
Eng.	Hani	Alrehayan	General Manager Agriculture Investment	Agricultural Development Fund - ADF	n	N	1
Mr	Mohammed	Aljehani	Assistant Manager R & D	Agriculture Development Fund	N		1
Eng	Yahya	Alwadai	General Director of the Agriculture Development Fund Assistant	Agriculture Development Fund	N		1
Mr	Ahmad	Abed	President	Ahmad A. Abed Trading Est.	N	Y	1
Mr & Mrs	Ahmd	Al Semari	General Manager	Ahmed Al Semari Office for Agricultural Consultations	y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Christian	Rode	Sales Manager	Airbus Defence & Space	Y	N	2

Mr & Mrs	Mohamed	Mutaweh	Chief Executive Officer & Board Member	Al Baraka Islamic Bank B.S.C. (C)	y	N	2
Eng	Badr Abdullah	Alhussain	Partner Relation Manager	Al ELM- Ministry of Finance	N	Y	1
Eng.	Altamimi	Nawaf Mohammed	Training Solution- Partner Relationship	Al ELM- Ministry of Finance			1
Mr	Abdallah	Dandachi	Project Director	Al Fahd	N	N	1
	Mohamed	Al Faisal	President & CEO	Al Faisalia Group (Al Safi)	N		1
Mr & Mrs	Abdul Salam	Al Mutlaq	Chairman	Al Fanar Group	y	y	2
Mr.	Abdul- Mohsen	Al-Hokair	Chairman	Al Hokair Group		Y	1
Mr	Suleiman	AlJabri	CEO	Al Jabri Group	N	N	1
Eng.	Hisham	Tonobey	Managing Director, Commercial Affairs	Al Khalediah Farm	N	N	1
Dr	Abdulrahman	Alanazi	Director	Al Kharaj Military Hospital, KSA			1
Mr & Mrs	Matthew	Cropp	Corporate Director	Al Khozama Management Company	Y	N	2
Dr	Ibrahim	Al Milhim	Dean	AL MAAREFA Colleges			1
HH Prince	Sultan	Al-Kebeer	Owner of Al Marai	Al Marai	N		1
Mr & Mrs	Thomas	Trimble	for Saudi Agricultural Investment Abroad	Al Marai Company	y	N	2
Mr	Abdullah	AlShehri	Public Relations Officer	Al Marai Company	N	N	1
Eng.	Hosam	Al-Yousof	Business Support Manager	Al Marai Company	n	y	1

Mr	Rex	Kelly	Senior Purchasing Manager	Al Marai Company			1
Mr & Mrs	Georges	Schordere t	CEO	Al Marai Company	y	y	2
Mr	Majed	Nofal	Head of Central Procurement	Al Marai Company			1
Mr	Abdullah	Almunaje m	International Investments Manager	Al Munajem	N		1
Mr	Mazen	El-Danab	Procurement Director	Al Munajem Cold Stores Co.	N	N	1
Mr & Mrs	Saleh	Munajem	Managing Director	Al Munajem Group	y	y	2
Mr	Adnan	Katerji	Maintenance Manager	Al Ola Establishment	N	N	1
Mr. & Mrs.	Gaurav	Shah	Chief Executive Officer	Al Rajhi Capital	y	N	2
Mr. & Mrs.	Igor	Afanasiev	Business Development Executive	Al Rajhi International Farm Management Services	y	N	2
Dr	Khalid	Almalahy	CEO	Al Rajhi International for Investment	N	y	1
Mr & Mrs	Ehab	Daoud	RE Advisor, International Investment	Al Saedan RE Development	Y	N	2
Mr.	Ali	Alrakaban	CEO	Al Safi Holding Co.	N	y	1
Mr	Khalid	Abu-Theeb	Agri. & Dairy Bussines Dev. Director	Al Safi Dairy Co.	N	N	1
Mr & Mrs	Alan	Hall	Manager	Al Tamimi & Company	Y	N	2
Mr	Ahmed	Mahomed	Senior Associate	Al Tamimi Lawyers	N	N	1

Mr & Mrs	William (Bill)	Nicholson	Vice President, Chartered Insurance Broker	Al Thayenan Insurance Brokers	Y	N	2
Mr	Dahham	Alenazi	Writer	Al Watan Newspaper			1
Eng.	Usamah	Kurdi	Chairman	Alagat	N	y	1
Eng.	Emad	Alrajih	GM Railways & Metro Business unit	Al-Ayuni Investment & Contracting Co.	N	y	1
Mr	Mohammad	Anwar Jan	Director General	Al-Azizia Dairy	N	N	1
Mr & Mrs	Hesham	Al-Muhanna	Head of Economic Reports Unit	Al-Eqtisaadia	Y	N	2
Mr	Assad	Al-Sabbagh	General Manager	Alfolla Meat Processing Factor	N	N	1
Dr	Majed	Aljohani	Training Director	AlGhad Colleges	N	N	1
Dr	Hany	Khedr	Consultant	AlGhad Colleges	N	N	1
Ms	Nouran	AlShaer	Finance Manager	Al-Ghada Saudi Communications			1
Ms	Ghada	Al-Tobaishi	CEO	Al-Ghada Saudi Communications			1
Mr	Ali	Yousif	Division Manager / Veterinary Products	Al-Jammaz Agriculture	N	N	1
Mr	Khaled	Hammad	Executive VP	AlJazeera Academy	N	N	1
Mr	Saad	Alkhorayef	CEO	Alkhorayef Group	N	Y	1
Mr & Mrs	Paul	Gay	Chief Financial Officer	Almarai Company	y	N	2
Mr. & Mrs.	John	Macdonald	Business Unit Manager - Special Projects	Almarai Company	y	N	2

Mr	Abdullah	Abdulkari m	Assistant to CEO	Al-Marai Company	N	Y	1
Mr	Mark	Bacon	Sales Manager	Al-Marai Company Ltd.	N	N	1
Mr	Ibrahim	Al-Munajem	CEO	Al-Munajem Group	N	Y	1
Mr	Hisham	Al Rakayan	VP - Admin. Affairs	Alnajim Saudi International Co Ltd. (NASTCO)	Yes		1
Mr	Nawar	Doukmak	CEO	Alnawar Corner	N	N	1
Mr	Bilal	Al-Omari	Central Procurement Manager	Al-Rashed Food Company Limited	N	N	1
Mr	Elias	El-Chami	Purchase and Logistics Manager	Al-Rugaib Group	N	N	1
Mr	Tareq	Al-Jammaz	Executive General Manager & CEO	Al-Safi Dairy Co	N	Y	1
Mr	Nawras	Al-Shanawan i	General Manager	Al-SHANAWANI TRADING & CONTRACTING CO.	N	N	1
Mr	Mahmoud	Al-Maeena	Chairman & Executive Consultant	Al-Siraj	N	Y	1
Mrs	Nashwa	Taher	President & CEO	Al-Siraj	Y	Y	2
Mr & Mrs	Mohammad	Al-Tukhaim	Assistant General Manager	Altukhaim Project	Y	N	2
Mr	Rabah	Murad	General Manager	Al-Turki (ATCO Food Division)	N	N	1
Ms	Abir	Kaki	Secretary General	Alwaleed Bin Talal Foundation, P.O.Box 766 , Riyadh 11321, Saudi Arabia			1

HRH Prince	Alwaleed	Bin Talal	Chairman	Alwaleed Philanthropies	N		1
Dr	Yousif	AlRashidi	Vice Dean	AlYamamah University	N	N	1
Dr	Brian	Matthews	Superintendent	American International School	N		1
Mr & Mrs	Richard	Shields	Managing Director Europe, Middle East and Africa	AMP Capital Investors Limited	y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Zuhair	Al-Herbish	Chairman	ANB Invest	y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Kieran	Gandy	CEO	ANB Invest/Genesis Consulting	Y	N	2
Mr	Zuhair	Al Herbish	General Manager	ANB Investment	N	N	1
Mr & Mrs	Andrew	Ius	Managing Director	Andrew Ius & Associates	Y	N	2
Mr	Pietro	Bagnati	ANM/Consortium Representative	ANM			1
Mr. & Mrs.	Naif	Madani	FM Manager	Apple			2
Mr & Mrs	Rasheed	Al Sayed	Team Leader	Arab National Bank	Y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Khaled A.	Alrubaian	Senior Investment Analyst	ARABIAN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES COMPANY (ARASCO)			2
MR	Abdulah	AlRubaian	Chairman	ARABIAN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES COMPANY (ARASCO)			1
Mr	Fares	Bashiti	Deputy General Manager	Arabian Development Company for Trading	N	N	1
Mr	Ahmed	Houri	Marketing Manager	Arabian Food Corporation	N	N	1

Mr & Mrs	Ibrahim	Thonayan	President	Arabian Integral Ministration c=Company (AIMCO)	y	y	2
Dr & Mrs	Mohamed	Sadek	Consultatnt	Arabian Integral Ministration Co. "AIMCO"	y	N	2
Ms	Philippa	Brown	Consular warden	Aramco	N		1
Mr	Paul	Chaperon	Consular warden	Aramco	N		1
Mr	Trevor	Scott	Consular warden	Aramco	N		1
Mr	Anis	Alam	Senior Purchase Manager, Overseas	ARASCO	N	N	1
Dr	Abdulmalik	Alhuseini	Executive President	Arasco	N	y	1
Mr	Abdullah Bin Ibrahim	Al Quwais	Director General of Operations and Maintenance	Arriyadh Development Authority	N	N	1
Mr	Anas Bin Abdulrahman	Al Sheikh	Director General Of Diplomatic Quarter	Arriyadh Development Authority	N	N	1
Mr and Mrs	Chris	Walter	Senior Project Manager	Arriyadh Devt Authority	Y	N	2
Mr	Abdallah	Al Qanzal	Advisor	Arts and Skills Institute	N	y	1
HH Princess	Adwaa bint Yazid	Al Saud	Chairperson	Arts and Skills Institute	N	Y	1
Ms	Olga	Kozlowska	Director of Education	Arts and Skills Institute	N	y	1
Ms	Rania	Rizk	Head of Art	Arts and Skills Institute	N	y	1
Dr	John	Sfakianakis	Regional Director, GCC	Ashmore	N		1

Dr. Eng.	Abdulaziz	Al Babtain	President of Himmah	Australian Saudi Business Council & Himmah	N		1
Mr	Faiz	Algothami		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Abdulkarim	Almumtin		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Fahad	Alrobaish		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Nasser	Alsadoun		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Abdullah	Alzahrani		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Mohammed	A. Altariqi		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Eisa	Abdulgadir		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Bandar	Aboalshamat		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Osama	Abu Mesmar		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Mazen	ADarrab		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Abdullah	Al Ahmari		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Ahmed	Al Ghuneem		Australian University	N	N	1
Ms	Hanaa	Al Harz		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Bader	Al Jaber		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Mohammed (Mo)	Al Jofan		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Khaled	Al Kabrish		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Mohammed	Al Kahtani		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Adeeb	Al Makarem		Australian University	N	N	1

Mr	Thamer	Al Moneef		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Ahmed	Al Qatari		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Abdulelah	Al Saab		Australian University	N	N	1
Ms	Ameena	Al Saffar		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Mohammed	Al Saud		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Fahad	Al Shahrani		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Ali	Alahabbar		Australian University	N	N	1
Dr	Saad	Alamer		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Abdulrahman	AlAnazi		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Yousef Dhafer	Al-Asmari		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Ahmed	Albarraq		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr & Mrs	Batoul	Albaz		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Rakan	Aleidi		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Majed	Al-Fayed		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Bandar	Alghamdi		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Fahad	Algneaeer		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Yousuf	Alhadi		Australian University	N	N	1
Dr	Fares	AlHamazani		Australian University	N	N	1
Mr	Abdullah	Alharbi		Australian University	N	N	1
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HRH Prince	Mohammed	Bin Naief	First Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Interior Affairs	Ministry of Interior Affairs			1
Prof.	Abdulaziz	Al-Omary		Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs			1
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Mr & Mrs	Tariq	Alasfoor	Executive Vice President, Capital Markets	Ominvest (Oman International Development and Investment Company SAOG)	y	N	2
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HE Dr	Mona	Abdullah Saeed Al Mushait	Member of Majlis Alshura	Saudi Shura Council			1
HE Dr	Lubna	Abdul-Rahman Al-Ansari	Member of Majlis Alshura	Saudi Shura Council			1

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HE Prof. Dr.	Salem	Al-Qahtani	Member of Majlis Alshura	Saudi Shura Council		Y	1
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HE Mr	Muwafiq	Fawaz Al-Ruwaili	Member of Majlis Alshura	Saudi Shura Council			1
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Mr	Saeed	Alamri	Director of Assessment and certification	SSS	N	N	1
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	Firas	Taifi	President & CEO	Taifi National Trading (TNT)	N		1

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Mr	Abdul Karim	Kendous	General Manager	The Arab Investment Compound	N	N	1
Mr	Hamed	Abdulhali m	General Manager, Supply Chain	The National Agricultural Development Company (NADEC)	N	N	1
Mr	Abdulaziz	Al-Babtain	CEO	The National Agricultural Development Company (NADEC)	N	N	1
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Dr	Ibrahim	Al-Zkeri	Supervisor General	TVTC	N		1
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Mr & Mrs	Bernard	Hudson		US Embassy	Y	N	2
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Mr and Mrs	Jonathan	Pinoli	Consul	US Embassy	Y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Jeff	Powell		US Embassy	Y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Richard	Ryan		US Embassy	Y	N	2
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HRH Prince	Ibrahim	Al Assaf	Minister of Finance				1
HRH Prince	Mohamed	Al Eissa	Minister of Education				1
HRH Prince	Abdulrahman	Al Fadhly	Ministry of Agriculture				1
HRH Prince	Khalid	Al Faisal	Makkah Governor				1
HRH Prince	Khaled	Al Faleh	Minister of Health				1
HRH Prince	Majed	Al Hoqail	Minister of Housing				1
HRH Prince	Abdullah	Al Hussain	Minister of Water & Electricity				1
HRH Prince	Abdullah	Al Muqbel	Minister of Transport				1
HRH Prince	Ali	Al Naiemi	Minister of Petroleum				1
HRH Prince	Majed	Al Qasabi	Ministry of Social Affairs				1
HRH Prince	Tawfik	Al Rabiah	Minister of Commerce & Industry				1
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HRH Prince	Mohamed	Al Sowail	Minister of Communication Technology				1
HRH Prince	Adel	Al Toraifi	Minister of Cultural & Information				1
HRH Prince	Mufarrej	Al-Haqabani	Minister of Labor				1
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HRH Prince	Mutaib Bin Abdullah	Bin Abdul-Aziz Al Saud	Minister of National Guard				1
HRH Prince	Faisal	Bin Bandar	Riyadh Governor				1
HRH Prince	Misha'al	Bin Majed	Hjeddah Governor				1
HRH Prince	Saud	Bin Naief	Eastern Province Governor				1
HRH Prince	Faisal	Bin Salman	Madinah Governor				1
HRH Prince	Mohammed	Bin Salman	Second Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence				1

HRH Prince Dr.	Faisal bin Mohammed	bin Saud bin Abdul-Aziz Al-Saud			N	Y	1
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Mr & Mrs	Leo	Doyle	Business Development Manager		Y	N	2
Mr & Mrs	Stephen	Drawe			Y	N	2
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HRH Prince	Bandar	Hajjar	Minister of Hajj				1
HRH Prince	Nizar	Madani	Minister of State for Foreign Affairs				1
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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 217

Program: DFAT

Topic: EU-Australia FTA

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Please provide an update on negotiations on a proposed FTA between Australia and the EU, announced on 15 November 2015.**
- 2. Has DFAT received any submissions to date regarding this proposed FTA.**
 - If yes, how many, and why are the submissions not publically available on the DFAT website.**
 - If no, why not. What efforts were made to call for submissions. Was the closing date of 26 February 2016 too early.**
- 3. Who will undertake a feasibility study relating to this agreement. What are the associated costs with this study. When is expected to be released.**
- 4. Will Australia propose or otherwise agree to ISDS provisions in this FTA, despite the developed legal systems within EU countries. If so, why.**

Answer

1. DFAT and European Union (EU) Officials are undertaking a joint scoping exercise for a future Australia-EU free trade agreement (FTA). This process started in March 2016 and is expected to finish in late 2016. Negotiations will not start until the scoping exercise is completed and the EU and Australia undertake their respective domestic processes.
2. DFAT has received 32 stakeholder submissions on the Australia-EU FTA. Subject to agreement from individual stakeholders, the submissions were made available on the DFAT website on 11 March 2016: <http://dfat.gov.au/trade/agreements/aeufta/submissions/Pages/submissions.aspx>.

On 16 November 2015, the former Minister for Trade and Investment issued a media release inviting stakeholders including the business community, the non-government sector and the general community, to make a submission on the potential opportunities and impacts from a future FTA with the EU.

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DFAT has made concerted efforts to ensure interested stakeholders are aware of the opportunity to make submissions including through DFAT's regular trade and investment stakeholder meetings and seminars, the Trade Talk e-newsletter, the DFAT website and social media (twitter). These activities are ongoing.

Although an initial deadline of 26 February 2016 was set to encourage submissions, DFAT continues to accept submissions. The DFAT website has been updated to reflect this.

3. There are currently no plans for a feasibility study to be undertaken for this FTA.
4. Inclusion of investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS) provisions will be a matter for the Government to consider. The Government considers the inclusion of ISDS clauses in FTAs on a case by case basis.

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Question No 218

Program: DFAT

Topic: Free Trade Agreements

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

1. How has the Government responded to Taiwan's requests to commence negotiations on a bilateral FTA with Australia.

2. Will the Australian Government commence negotiations with Taiwan on an FTA this year. If so, when. Please provide details.

Answer

1. The Government has responded to Taiwan that its request is under consideration.
2. The Government has not yet taken a decision on this matter.

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Question No 219

Program: DFAT

Topic: SAFTA

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Please provide a status update relating to the scope and specifics of the third review of SAFTA.**
- 2. How did DFAT notify the public about this review and what information was provided.**
 - **How many individuals or entities were invited to make submissions.**
 - **When did DFAT send out requests for submission and in what format.**
 - **What was the closing date for submissions.**
 - **How many submissions have been received.**
 - **Why are the submission not publically available on DFAT's website.**
 - **What are the themes and main concerns/recommendations in these submissions.**
- 3. How has the Australian-Singapore trade relationship changed since the implementation of this FTA in 2003.**
- 4. How will this trading relationship be affected by Australia's recent regional bilateral and plurilateral FTAs.**

Answer

1. In June 2015, the Prime Ministers of Australia and Singapore announced the third review of the Singapore-Australia Free Trade Agreement (SAFTA). The Review was launched as an initiative under the Australia-Singapore Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.

Work on the SAFTA review is being undertaken under the following 5 work streams:

- (1) Services
- (2) Investment
- (3) Government Procurement

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(4) Goods (including Rules of Origin)

(5) Movement of Natural Persons.

Australia's objective is to modernise the agreement in light of our recent FTAs, including updated trade rules improving market access in areas of interest to Australian businesses and achieving outcomes on mutual recognition of academic and professional qualifications.

2.

- The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade website invited members of the public to send submissions regarding the SAFTA Review to trade.consult@dfat.gov.au. The closing date for submissions was 15 January 2016.

- As at 23 March 2016, two formal submissions have been received. The Departments is seeking approval to make these submissions publicly available on the DFAT website.

- To date, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade has consulted with relevant agencies, State and Territory governments and engaged with the tertiary education, financial services sector and professional services sectors.

3. Singapore is Australia's 5th largest trading partner. Trade in goods and services between Australia and Singapore has increased since the signing of the FTA. Two way trade in goods has increased 105% since 2003. Investment flows have expanded.

4. Since implementation of the SAFTA in 2003, Singapore and Australia have concluded negotiations for the ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement in 2008 and signed the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement in Auckland on 4 February 2016.

The SAFTA Review will look to build on the outcomes obtained in these plurilateral free trade agreements.

Australia and Singapore are also currently involved in the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) negotiations.

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Question No 220

Program: DFAT

Topic: TPP

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Does the TPP require any changes to existing legislation dealing with Intellectual Property, such as the Copyright Act, the Patents Act, the Trade Marks Act, the Plant Breeder's Rights Act or the Designs Act. If so, what changes.**
- 2. Does the TPP require any changes to the administration of Australia's intellectual property legislation and systems including enforcement activities. If so, what changes.**
- 3. Does the TPP bind Australia's existing legislative provisions conferring intellectual property rights on rights holders.**
- 4. How does the level at which these rights are bound under the TPP compare to Australia's obligations on intellectual property under existing trade agreements and/or international treaties on intellectual property.**
- 5. What are the costs relating to the TPP negotiations and signing incurred in this financial year.**
- 6. What is the budgeted cost for TPP related activities for the balance of this financial year.**
- 7. What was the cost of TPP negotiations for the prior financial year.**
- 8. What was the total cost on TPP negotiations since the change of Government in 2013.**
- 9. DFAT's evidence at Additional Budget Estimates hearing on 25 February 2016 was that the phrase "employer sponsorship requirements" in Australia's Annex 12-A of the TPP should be read down to exclude labour market testing, economic needs testing and numerical quotas. Please provide the explanation as to how and why the texts is to be so construed this way.**
- 10. If labour market testing has been waived, what other employer sponsorship or employment preconditions or regulatory requirements have also been waived. Please detail.**

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- 11. Sections 140GB and 140GBA of the Migration Act require approved sponsors who nominate temporary migrants in certain occupations to carry out labour market testing. Why is this statutory requirement which applies to approved employer sponsors not covered by the phrase “employer sponsorship requirements” in the Annex 12-A schedule.**
- 12. If the TPP enters into force, is it possible for Australia to amend its commitments under Annex 12-A in the future?**
- 13. What processes and timelines would this involve?**

Answer

1. No. The TPP will not require any changes to Australia’s legislation dealing with intellectual property.

Minor regulatory changes relating to encoded broadcasts will be required to be made to the Copyright (International Protection) Regulations to extend the benefits of Part VAA of the Copyright Act 1968 that Australia already extends under the Rome Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations and the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement, to broadcasts from Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei and New Zealand.

2. No.

3. No.

4. Overall, Australia is not bound by TPP intellectual property obligations to any greater extent than it is already bound under existing relevant intellectual property treaty obligations, including in TRIPS, AUSFTA and KAFTA.

While there are certain provisions in the TPP intellectual property chapter that constitute a new treaty commitment for Australia (for example, a specific provision dealing with biologics), none will require any changes to Australia’s existing legislation or policies. Further, Australia has secured additional flexibilities in certain areas relative to its existing treaty obligations. For example, as a result of side letters to the TPP agreed with the United States, Australia will be able to take advantage of certain more flexible TPP outcomes that it would not otherwise have been able to because of AUSFTA.

5. As at 22 March 2016, \$837,532.24 has been spent on TPP-related expenses in the 2015-16 financial year. This figure includes costs related with the legal scrub and translation verification processes.

6. Up to \$1,100,000 was budgeted for TPP related expenses in the 2015-16 financial year. As at 22 March 2016, the remaining balance was \$262,467.76.

7. In the 2014-15 financial year, \$1,775,558.68 was spent on TPP-related expenses.

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8. From 12 November 2013 when the new Parliament commenced until 22 March 2016, \$3,248,745.70 was spent on TPP-related expenses.

9. Article 12.4 of the Temporary Entry for Business Persons Chapter requires TPP Parties to specify in their schedules of commitments the conditions and limitations they wish to maintain for the grant of temporary entry. This requires Parties to explicitly reserve in their schedules the ability to apply numerical quotas or other forms of economic needs test, including the right to require labour market testing. Australia has not explicitly reserved the right to impose any form of economic needs testing. Australia has therefore committed not to impose labour market testing or other forms of economic needs tests as a condition for temporary entry.

10. Australia's TPP temporary entry commitments will be implemented through the existing 457 visa program. Employers wishing to sponsor workers will still need to meet all 457 requirements, including minimum skill, qualification and experience requirements and the requirement to provide market salary rates and employment conditions equivalent to Australian workers.

A list of employer sponsorship requirements that currently apply under the 457 visa program can be found at: <https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/457->.

11. See answer to Question 9.

12. Yes, with the agreement of the other Parties.

13. Article 30.2 provides that the Parties may agree in writing to amend the TPP (including Annex 12-A). Such agreement would reflect a negotiated outcome, likely involving trade-offs. Amendments would enter into force 60 days (or as agreed) after the date on which all Parties had provided notification in writing that the amendment had been approved in accordance with their respective domestic procedures. The time frames for domestic procedures vary widely, are not always predictable, and may be lengthy.

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Question No 221

Program: DFAT

Topic: Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Please provide a status update on the negotiations of RCEP.***
- 2. In response to Supplementary Budget Estimates question on notice no. 138, DFAT advised that its costs for Canberra-based officials relating to RCEP meetings in 2015 was \$723,000. Please provide a breakdown of that cost figure.***
- 3. What are the further costs incurred since that time.***
- 4. How are the parties proposing to handle the overlapping membership with the TPP.***

Answer

1. RCEP status update

In November 2015, RCEP Leaders committed to intensifying negotiations and instructed Ministers to conclude negotiations in 2016. At the most recent round in Brunei (15-19 February 2016) negotiations were held on Goods, Services, Investment and Rules of Origin. Other negotiating groups (Financial Services, Telecommunications, E-Commerce, Legal and Institutional Issues, Competition and Economic and Technical Cooperation) have subsequently met prior to the next round in April 2016.

Substantial work remains in order to conclude in 2016. There are a number of negotiating issues requiring significant attention, including on market access and rules of origin. There is no consensus on whether to include certain issues, such as government procurement, within the scope of negotiations. .

A full work programme has been scheduled for 2016. Australia is scheduled to host the next full negotiation round from 22-29 April in Perth followed by New Zealand from 12-18 June in Auckland. Further meetings have been provisionally scheduled for the rest of the year. A Ministerial meeting has been scheduled for August 2016.

- 2. The costs indicated in QoN138 (approx \$723,000 ex GST for Canberra-based officials) related to airfares, accommodation, per diems, ground transport and other***

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associated travel costs). To break this down any further would be a disproportionate amount of limited departmental resources.

3. The costs (Canberra-based officials) for the RCEP meetings held since 1 November (until 31 March) are approx. \$340,000 ex GST (which includes airfares, accommodation, per diems, ground transport and other associated travel costs).

4. RCEP-TPP

RCEP and the TPP are complementary potential pathways to realising the Free Trade Area of the Asia Pacific (FTAAP). Both FTAs seek to liberalise the movement of goods, services and investment among their respective participants and to harmonise regional rules governing trade and investment. While there is a degree of overlap between RCEP and TPP participants, this is not a problem as the agreements will be able to exist in parallel. Indeed, the overlap in membership should contribute to further strengthening the region's trade and investment framework.

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Question No 222

Program: DFAT

Topic: Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific (FTAAP)

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. With reference to question on notice no.139 from Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015, please provide a further update on the status on the progress of the 'Collective Strategic Study on Issues Relate to the Realisation of the Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific'.*
- 2. Is the first draft of the Study (which was due for completion by January 2016) finished. If so, what are the initial findings. If not, when will it be completed.*
- 3. Is the final report still due by the end of 2016.*
- 4. Has there been any other progress or meetings relating to the FTAAP. If so, please describe.*

Answer

1. Individual economies are developing first drafts of specific chapters of the Study for further internal review by APEC member economies. A consolidated draft of the Study is expected to be submitted to APEC Trade Ministers in May 2016 incorporating comments from the APEC Business Advisory Council and the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council.
2. Yes. As indicated in the answer to QON 139 from Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015, the question of whether the findings of the Study will be made public will be one for consideration by Ministers and Leaders.
3. Yes.
4. Progress on the Study was discussed at the APEC Senior Officials Meeting in Lima, Peru on 4-5 March 2016.

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Question No 223

Program: DFAT

Topic: Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations Plus (PACER Plus)

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Please provide a status update relating to work on PACER PLUS.***
- 2. Will issues be finalised by May 2016.***
- 3. Will there be a concluded agreement by June 2016, as instructed by the Pacific Islands Forum Trade Ministers.***
- 4. What meetings and efforts are being held in 2016 towards these goals.***
- 5. Will the text of the concluded negotiations be made public before signing.***
- 6. Will Australia retain policy space for labour market testing.***
- 7. What are the Department's costs associated with negotiation of this agreement.***

Answer

1. Ten Chapters of legal text are provisionally closed; five are open and nearing finalisation. Market access negotiations are underway.
2. We cannot comment, as negotiations are ongoing.
3. As instructed by Forum Leaders in September 2015, the negotiating parties are working to conclude the agreement by June 2016.
4. A negotiating round was held in Brisbane in March 2016. Another is tentatively scheduled to be held in June 2016.
5. No.
6. We cannot comment, as negotiations are ongoing.
7. The Department's costs associated with negotiation of this agreement from 1 July 2015 to 29 March 2016 are approximately \$618,771.66.

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Question No 224

Program: DFAT

Topic: WTO Doha Round negotiations

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Why, as at 17 February 2016, does DFAT's website still refer to the upcoming WTO Ministerial Conference in Nairobi Kenya in December 2015.**
- 2. Why does the DFAT website not outline outcomes for Australia from this Ministerial Conference.**
- 3. What are, or will be, the effects or impacts of the Nairobi Ministerial outcomes on Australian agriculture, exports and economy.**
- 4. Who represented Australia at the 10th Ministerial Conference in Nairobi.**
- 5. What were the Department's costs associated with this conference.**
- 6. What is the Government's position regarding the Doha Round.**
- 7. What type of architecture and negotiating processes does Australia wish to see in the WTO in the coming period.**
- 8. What is Australia's position on the WTO's requirements regarding the single undertaking and consensus decisions.**
- 9. Has there been a reduction in resources relating to Australia's participation in the Doha Rounds. If so, please describe.**

Answer

1. The DFAT website has been updated to reflect the conclusion of the 10th WTO Ministerial Conference.
2. The DFAT website has been updated to outline the key outcomes of the 10th WTO Ministerial Conference of particular interest to Australia. It also provides links to the full list of Nairobi outcomes identified on the WTO website.
3. The key outcomes for Australia:
 - Agreement by developed Member countries to eliminate export subsidies immediately and developing countries to eliminate by end of 2018 (or 2020 and 2022 respectively in limited defined cases). This was an agreement of historic significance that will bring an end to more than \$15 billion of agriculture subsidies globally. The deal will phase out export subsidies for wide range of agricultural

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commodities of interest to Australia. The abolition of these export subsidies will permanently remove a long standing source of distortion in global agricultural markets.

- Agreement on a standstill on unscheduled export subsidy entitlements held by developing Members and elimination by 2023.

- Agreement on new disciplines on the subsidy components of agricultural export credits which will limit the ability of Members to use export finance programs in ways that distort agricultural trade (such as through unduly long repayment terms for export transactions).

- In addition, 54 WTO members, including Australia, announced the conclusion of a deal to update and expand the coverage of the 1997 Information Technology Agreement (ITA) by eliminating tariffs on 201 products.

4. Australia was represented by Mr Andrew Robb (the then Minister for Trade and Investment)

5. Participation in this conference cost the Department approximately \$100,000 which included 6 Australia based staff and 3 Geneva based staff to travel to Nairobi plus the use of a delegation meeting room and office facilities in Nairobi.

6. The Government's preference would be for a successful outcome from the Doha Round. However, given the divergence in views within the WTO membership, it became increasingly apparent in the lead up to Nairobi that concluding the Round as a single undertaking was not achievable.

Accordingly it was recognized that Australia's interests would be best served by supporting efforts to draw a line under the Doha Round as a single undertaking negotiation and instead work with other WTO Members to identify new ways the WTO can deliver outcomes from negotiations in timeframes that are meaningful to business.

In addition, in the fifteen years since the launch of the Doha Round, a range of new issues have emerged that have influenced the global trading environment, including advances in technology. In supporting new negotiating approaches, Australia sees value in the WTO considering negotiations on new issues.

7. Australia sees the WTO as the key multilateral forum for establishing global trade rules and steering multilateral trade negotiations. Australia is open to new negotiating approaches such as plurilateral negotiations – preferably negotiated under WTO auspices - where these have a better prospect of achieving outcomes than through WTO negotiations involving the entire membership.

8. The WTO membership is deeply divided on whether the Doha Round can be concluded as a single undertaking. In the lead up to Nairobi, the Government

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decided that Australia's interests would be best served by supporting efforts to draw a line under the Doha Round as a single undertaking and instead work with other WTO Members to find new ways the WTO can deliver outcomes from negotiations in timeframes that are meaningful to business.

Despite the challenges associated with multilateral negotiations, Australia has long been a supporter of an effective WTO negotiating function given that multilateral outcomes deliver broad benefits to the global trading system.

9. No. DFAT Staffing levels in the Office of Trade Negotiations and in Geneva WTO have been maintained. Representation at WTO Ministerial Conferences has been consistent.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA) negotiations

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. At the 14th round of negotiations on TiSA held 29 November – 4 December 2015, all offers were reported to be on the table and the parties committed to intensifying discussion to move closer to conclusion.**
- 2. What chapters are now closed. What chapters are outstanding.**
- 3. Will Australia retain labour market testing in the temporary movement of business persons obligations.**
- 4. Is the timeframe for conclusion of TiSA by the end of 2016 realistic.**

- 5. When and where are the 2016 scheduled meetings relating to TiSA. Who will represent Australia.**

- 6. What are the Department's costs associated with negotiation of this agreement.**

Answer

1&2. No chapters have been fully concluded at this stage.

3. The TiSA negotiations cover a range of services sectors, including temporary entry of business persons. We are unable to provide further specific information with respect to current negotiations as not to do so now could prejudice our negotiating position.

4. Australia remains committed to concluding the TiSA by the end of 2016. We consider this timeframe to be realistic, providing Parties are willing to intensify discussions and make progress on outstanding issues during upcoming negotiating rounds.

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5. The first TiSA round for 2016 was held from 31 January to 5 February in Geneva. Other TiSA negotiating rounds are currently scheduled for the following dates in 2016:

- 10 to 15 April in Geneva (chaired by Australia)
- 26 May to 3 June in Geneva (chaired by the European Union)
- 11 to 15 July in Geneva (chaired by Australia)
- 19 to 23 September in Geneva (chaired by the United States)
- 6 to 12 November in Geneva (chaired by the European Union)

A number of inter-sessional meetings will also be held throughout the year. Inter-sessional meetings are currently scheduled on telecommunications (7 to 9 April) and financial services (8 April) in the margins of the April round in Geneva. Additional rounds and inter-sessional meetings may be scheduled. This work program is subject to review.

Australia will be represented at negotiating rounds by officials from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

6. As at 23 March 2016 the costs of TiSA negotiations for FY2015-16 are estimated to be \$211,806.72.

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Question No 226

Program: DFAT

Topic: Agreement on Environmental Goods negotiations

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Is there now an agreed list of environmental goods.*
- 2. Will the list be made public prior to conclusion of negotiations.*
- 3. Who attended the 30 November – 4 December 2015 negotiation round for Australia. What were the associated costs of this round.*
- 4. When and where are the next scheduled negotiation rounds.*
- 5. Are the parties working towards concluding negotiations in 2016. If so, is this realistic.*

Answer

1. No, the negotiations are ongoing.
2. The 54 APEC environmental goods upon which the negotiations are based are publicly available at http://www.apec.org/Home/Meeting-Papers/Leaders-Declarations/2012/2012_aelm/2012_aelm_annexC.aspx. The EGA aims to build on this list.
3. At the 30 November – 4 December 2015 negotiation round, Australia was represented by officials from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (including the Permanent Mission to the WTO), the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science, and the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. The Department of the Environment also provided support from Canberra. Departmental costs associated with DFAT's attendance were \$35,807.46.
4. The next negotiation round is expected to be held at the WTO in Geneva in the week of 18 April 2016. Since the negotiation round in December 2015, another round was held over 2-4 March 2016.
5. There is no fixed timetable for concluding the negotiations, but parties are aiming for a conclusion in 2016. The timing will depend on progress in the negotiations.

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Question No 227

Program: DFAT

Topic: Agreement on Government Procurement

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. In response to question on notice no.141 from Supplementary Budget Estimates, Australia's non-public accession offer to the WTO Committee on Government Procurement is stated to reflect Australia's government procurement commitments in JAEPA.**
- 2. JAEPA has been in force for just over a year now, has there been any economic activity pursuant to Chapter 17 on Government Procurement. If so, please explain.**
- 3. Has DFAT received any feedback from industry or business on the terms of the JAEPA Government Procurement chapter. If so, please explain.**
- 4. When are negotiations on Australia's offer to accede to the GPA expected to conclude.**
- 5. Will the concluded agreement be assessed by JSCOT in the normal course of treaty evaluation and report.**
- 6. Is it likely that there will be new or amended legislation, regulation or instruments required as a result of a concluded GPA. If so, please describe.**

Answer

1. Yes.
2. The Department monitors the implementation of JAEPA by way of feedback from business, through emails, submissions, telephone calls and other correspondence. DFAT has not received any specific feedback regarding JAEPA's government procurement provisions.
3. See answer to Question 2.
4. There is no fixed timetable for Australia's accession to the GPA. The timing will depend on progress in the accession negotiations.
5. Yes.
6. Australia would be required to have in place appropriate domestic procedures for tender review. Some changes may also be required to Commonwealth procedures for pre-qualification and limited tender.



Australian Government

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

9 May 2017

David Sullivan
Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

Dear Mr Sullivan,

The Department wishes to correct the record on QoN 228 from Additional Estimates in February 2016. The question relates to the Special Envoy of Trade.

Part of the question requested names of attendees at an *Australia Cuba Business Conference* in Cuba in 2016.

The response originally provided to the committee lists Juan Adeva of Solais Geoinformatics as an attendee. We have been advised Mr Scott Bywaters, who is the Chief Financial Officer of Solais Geoinformatics attended rather than Mr Aveda.

We have updated the question attached to reflect this.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Ray Marcelo
Assistant Secretary
Parliamentary and Media Branch
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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Question No 228

Program: DFAT

Topic: Special Envoy for Trade

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. On 18 February 2016, Mr Ciobo was sworn in as the Minister for Trade and Investment, and Mr Robb was moved to the backbench but appointed Special Envoy for Trade.**
 - a. What is the role of the Special Envoy for Trade. Please describe.**
 - b. What is the legal status of a Special Envoy.**
 - c. What is the status of a Special Envoy vis-à-vis DFAT.**
 - d. Can a Special Envoy of Trade provide instructions or directions directly to DFAT or Austrade.**
 - e. How many staff does the Special Envoy of Trade have. Who are they.**

- 2. With reference to the media release titled 'Robb signs sports MOU with Cuba' dated 25 February 2016:**
 - a. Did Mr Robb sign the MOU on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia.**
 - b. Under what authority did Mr Robb sign for Australia.**
 - c. Who accompanied Mr Robb to Cuba.**
 - d. How many events did Mr Robb attend in Cuba. Who attended each event.**
 - e. What was the cost of this trip to Cuba.**

- 3. What overseas travel is planned for Mr Robb this year. What is the purpose of each trip. Who will accompany Mr Robb.**

Answer

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1a) As Special Envoy for Trade, Mr Robb will provide support to the Minister for Trade and Investment, including continuing a leading role in advancing some ongoing negotiations.

1b) Special envoys have been appointed by previous governments to handle a range of issues. Mr Robb will not be paid for his work as Special Envoy.

1c) Mr Robb will be supported by DFAT and Austrade in carrying out his duties.

1d) Mr Robb will receive directions and instructions from the Prime Minister, and work in close consultation with the Minister for Trade and Investment. DFAT will support Mr Robb in undertaking his duties.

1e) Staff positions are managed by the Department of Finance.

2a) Yes.

2b) Mr Robb signed the MOU on behalf of the Government. The MOU is an instrument of less-than-treaty status and does not create legally binding obligations under international law. As such, there was no requirement that a formal instrument of full powers be issued.

2c) The following business delegates and government officials accompanied Mr Robb to Cuba. As the Australian Government does not maintain an Embassy in Cuba, logistics coordination, and on-group support for the mission was provided by staff from the Australian Embassy in Mexico.

Minister's party

- The Hon Andrew Robb AO, Special Envoy Trade, Australian Government
- Chief of Staff to the Special Envoy Trade
- Advisor to the Special Envoy Trade

Business Delegates

- Ms Kim Prior, Chair, Australia-Cuba Business Council
- Prof Adrian Hearn, Associate Professor, The University of Melbourne
- Mr David Williams, Managing Director, Pure Projects
- Mr Richard Norton, Managing Director, Meat & Livestock Australia
- Mr Rod Hayes, Chairman and CEO, Balance Services Group
- Mr Peter Stickland, Managing Director & CEO, MEO Australia Limited
- Mr Joachim Meister, Senior Vice President, WorleyParsons
- Mr Reinhardt Matisons, Executive Vice President, Woodside Energy Ltd
- Mrs Elizabeth Lewis-Gray, Chair, METS Ignited Ltd
- Mr Scott Bywaters, Chief Financial Officer, Solais Geoinformatics
- Mr Raúl Francisco Vargas Dávila, Finance Manager, Ulaex-Orica

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- Mr David Engel, Australian Ambassador to Mexico and non-resident Ambassador to Costa Rica, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama and Nicaragua.
- Mr Chris Rodwell, Trade Commissioner, Austrade Mexico City
- Ms Prerana Mehta, Manager, Ministerial Business Missions, Austrade Canberra
- Ms Helen Mitchell, Second Secretary, Australian Embassy, Mexico City
- Ms Ana Murray, Second Secretary, Australian Embassy, Mexico City
- Mr Manuel Barbera, Business Development Manager, Austrade Mexico City
- Mr Edgar Sanchez, Education Manager, Austrade Mexico City
- Mr Eugenio Morales, Senior Research and Media Manager, Australian Embassy, Mexico City
- Mr Chris Ellinger, Office Manager, Australian Embassy, Mexico City
- Ms Itzel Salas, Assistant, Australian Embassy, Mexico City

2d) Mr Robb attended eight events in Cuba. Attendees at each event are listed, where known.

Tuesday 23 February 2016

1. *Commemorative concert for 150th Anniversary of First Cuban to visit Australia*
 - Minister's party, business delegates and government officials listed in response 2(c)
2. *Welcome dinner and briefing (delegation only)*
 - Business delegates listed in response 2(c) and, Ms Prerana Mehta, Manager, Ministerial Business Missions, Austrade Canberra

Wednesday 24 February 2016

3. *Australia Cuba Business Conference*
 - Minister's party, business delegates and government officials listed in response 2(c)
 - Orlando Hernández Guillén, President, Cuban Chamber of Commerce
 - Dr Celia Labora Rodríguez, Director, Cuban Chamber of Commerce
 - Doriliz Díaz Rodríguez, Specialist Asia, Cuban Chamber of Commerce
 - Rigoberto Enoa, Director, Department of Commercial Policy in charge of Asian and Oceanian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Investment
 - Loida Rivera Fabr e, Deputy Director, Department of Commercial Policy in charge of Asian and Oceanian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Investment
 - Nathalie Gallardo Leyva, Commercial Specialist, Department of Commercial Policy in charge of Asian and Oceanian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Investment
 - Representatives from Cuban business organisations invited by Cuban Chamber of Commerce
 - Representatives from local media
4. *Doing Business in Cuba briefing (delegation only)*

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Question No 228

Program: DFAT

Topic: Special Envoy for Trade

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. On 18 February 2016, Mr Ciobo was sworn in as the Minister for Trade and Investment, and Mr Robb was moved to the backbench but appointed Special Envoy for Trade.**
 - a. What is the role of the Special Envoy for Trade. Please describe.**
 - b. What is the legal status of a Special Envoy.**
 - c. What is the status of a Special Envoy vis-à-vis DFAT.**
 - d. Can a Special Envoy of Trade provide instructions or directions directly to DFAT or Austrade.**
 - e. How many staff does the Special Envoy of Trade have. Who are they.**

- 2. With reference to the media release titled 'Robb signs sports MOU with Cuba' dated 25 February 2016:**
 - a. Did Mr Robb sign the MOU on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia.**
 - b. Under what authority did Mr Robb sign for Australia.**
 - c. Who accompanied Mr Robb to Cuba.**
 - d. How many events did Mr Robb attend in Cuba. Who attended each event.**
 - e. What was the cost of this trip to Cuba.**

- 3. What overseas travel is planned for Mr Robb this year. What is the purpose of each trip. Who will accompany Mr Robb.**

Answer

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1a) As Special Envoy for Trade, Mr Robb will provide support to the Minister for Trade and Investment, including continuing a leading role in advancing some ongoing negotiations.

1b) Special envoys have been appointed by previous governments to handle a range of issues. Mr Robb will not be paid for his work as Special Envoy.

1c) Mr Robb will be supported by DFAT and Austrade in carrying out his duties.

1d) Mr Robb will receive directions and instructions from the Prime Minister, and work in close consultation with the Minister for Trade and Investment. DFAT will support Mr Robb in undertaking his duties.

1e) Staff positions are managed by the Department of Finance.

2a) Yes.

2b) Mr Robb signed the MOU on behalf of the Government. The MOU is an instrument of less-than-treaty status and does not create legally binding obligations under international law. As such, there was no requirement that a formal instrument of full powers be issued.

2c) The following business delegates and government officials accompanied Mr Robb to Cuba. As the Australian Government does not maintain an Embassy in Cuba, logistics coordination, and on-group support for the mission was provided by staff from the Australian Embassy in Mexico.

Minister's party

- The Hon Andrew Robb AO, Special Envoy Trade, Australian Government
- Chief of Staff to the Special Envoy Trade
- Advisor to the Special Envoy Trade

Business Delegates

- Ms Kim Prior, Chair, Australia-Cuba Business Council
- Prof Adrian Hearn, Associate Professor, The University of Melbourne
- Mr David Williams, Managing Director, Pure Projects
- Mr Richard Norton, Managing Director, Meat & Livestock Australia
- Mr Rod Hayes, Chairman and CEO, Balance Services Group
- Mr Peter Stickland, Managing Director & CEO, MEO Australia Limited
- Mr Joachim Meister, Senior Vice President, WorleyParsons
- Mr Reinhardt Matisons, Executive Vice President, Woodside Energy Ltd
- Mrs Elizabeth Lewis-Gray, Chair, METS Ignited Ltd
- Mr Scott Bywaters, Chief Financial Officer, Solais Geoinformatics
- Mr Raúl Francisco Vargas Dávila, Finance Manager, Ulaex-Orica

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- Mr David Engel, Australian Ambassador to Mexico and non-resident Ambassador to Costa Rica, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama and Nicaragua.
- Mr Chris Rodwell, Trade Commissioner, Austrade Mexico City
- Ms Prerana Mehta, Manager, Ministerial Business Missions, Austrade Canberra
- Ms Helen Mitchell, Second Secretary, Australian Embassy, Mexico City
- Ms Ana Murray, Second Secretary, Australian Embassy, Mexico City
- Mr Manuel Barbera, Business Development Manager, Austrade Mexico City
- Mr Edgar Sanchez, Education Manager, Austrade Mexico City
- Mr Eugenio Morales, Senior Research and Media Manager, Australian Embassy, Mexico City
- Mr Chris Ellinger, Office Manager, Australian Embassy, Mexico City
- Ms Itzel Salas, Assistant, Australian Embassy, Mexico City

2d) Mr Robb attended eight events in Cuba. Attendees at each event are listed, where known.

Tuesday 23 February 2016

1. *Commemorative concert for 150th Anniversary of First Cuban to visit Australia*
 - Minister's party, business delegates and government officials listed in response 2(c)
2. *Welcome dinner and briefing (delegation only)*
 - Business delegates listed in response 2(c) and, Ms Prerana Mehta, Manager, Ministerial Business Missions, Austrade Canberra

Wednesday 24 February 2016

3. *Australia Cuba Business Conference*
 - Minister's party, business delegates and government officials listed in response 2(c)
 - Orlando Hernández Guillén, President, Cuban Chamber of Commerce
 - Dr Celia Labora Rodríguez, Director, Cuban Chamber of Commerce
 - Doriliz Díaz Rodríguez, Specialist Asia, Cuban Chamber of Commerce
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 - Representatives from Cuban business organisations invited by Cuban Chamber of Commerce
 - Representatives from local media
4. *Doing Business in Cuba briefing (delegation only)*

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 229

Program: DFAT

Topic: SAFTA

Question in Writing

Page: 23 (Hansard 25 February)

Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: *Have you been engaged with any considerations in Treasury regarding any reference to the ACCC?*

Mr Brown: *I think that is a question to direct to Treasury—*

Senator WONG: *I will. I just wondered about your involvement.*

Mr Brown: *We do understand that the issue of a referral that you have mentioned has been discussed in Treasury, but I do not have any up-to-date advice on specifically where a final decision has landed on that issue.*

Senator WONG: *I cannot recall if I asked you this—I am tired, and it was a little while ago at the end of a long week—has the Singaporean government raised any concerns regarding the Queensland legislation?*

Mr Brown: *The Singaporean government has made, as I recall—*

Senator WONG: *Made representations.*

Mr Brown: *one representation to the minister in the form of correspondence to Mr Robb.*

Senator WONG: *And the approximate date of that?*

Mr Brown: *It was recent—end of last year, or early this year. I will have to take that on notice, I apologise.*

Senator WONG: *No, that is fine. What about the Chinese or Thai governments? I think, from memory, that both Chinese and Thai companies may be involved, or investors.*

Mr Brown: *I would like to take that on notice. As far as I know we certainly had representations from the foreign-owned millers, but not from their host governments.*

Answer

The Singapore Minister for Trade and Industry wrote to Mr Robb about this issue on 3 August 2015 and 18 January 2016. In addition, the Second Permanent

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Secretary of the Singapore Ministry of Trade and Industry wrote to Australia's High Commissioner to Singapore about this issue on 1 July 2015.

As at 11 February 2016, representations were made on 9 November 2015, when Mr Robb received a letter on this matter from China's Ambassador to Australia. The Chinese Embassy in Australia also raised the issue with officials on 1 February 2016.

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Question No 230

Program: DFAT

Topic: TPP

Question in Writing

Page: 26 (Hansard 25 February)

Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: *So the United States, because of what Congress has made clear in the circumscription of the authority of the USTR, cannot make an offer on migration laws—correct?*

Mr Stapleton: *Correct.*

Senator WONG: *I want to try to understand what is included under the phrase 'employer sponsorship requirements'. Can you provide me, on notice, with a list of Australia's existing immigration requirements which the government considers are covered by the phrase 'employer sponsorship requirements' in our next 12-A schedule?*

Mr Stapleton: *I can take that on notice. Essentially, the way to look at it in terms of the current regime—the 457 visa program—is that we are talking about everything except labour market testing.*

Senator WONG: *Or numerical quotas?*

Mr Stapleton: *Or numerical quotas, but they are not applied in the current program with respect to contracted service providers and so on that are defined.*

Senator WONG: *It is everything except for LMT?*

Mr Stapleton: *Correct.*

...

Senator WONG: *Are you able to, perhaps on notice, clarify that: what is the extent to which changes could be made and what changes could not be made under the existing TPP?*

Mr Brown: *We can certainly take that on notice. It is, of course, a case-by-case proposition, as you understand, but we will certainly provide you with a response.*

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Answer

A list of employer sponsorship requirements that currently apply under the 457 visa program can be found at: <https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/457->.

In the TPP, Australia is committing to permit temporary entry of a skilled business person in specific categories. Flexibility is retained with the phrase “Sponsorship requirements, including eligible occupations, may change from time to time”. However, this flexibility is not unlimited, including with respect to removing occupations from the Skilled Occupations List (SOL) or the Consolidated Sponsored Occupations List (CSOL). Australia would not be able to amend these sponsorship requirements in such a way as to render meaningless or significantly impair its commitments on Intra-Corporate Transferees, Independent Executives and Contractual Service Suppliers.

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Question No 231

Program: DFAT

Topic: Special envoy for Trade

Question in Writing

Page: 27-29 (Hansard 25 February)

Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: *Can you tell me what his role is?*

Mr Brown: *I can only refer to the comments that the Prime Minister has made publicly. I am reluctant to go any further in the absence of the final charter letter.*

Senator Fierravanti-Wells: *We will take that on notice.*

...

Senator WONG: *Oh, I am sorry. He was the special envoy for trade, so I thought—have you had no role?*

Mr Brown: *His appointment, and the roles and responsibilities he has going forward, will be defined by the Prime Minister.*

Senator WONG: *You can transfer these questions to them if you want. How does his role differ from the role of the Minister for Trade and Investment and what is the legal status of a special envoy?*

Mr Brown: *I would have to take those on notice to give you a precise answer.*

Senator WONG: *Can you tell me what relationship DFAT has with Mr Robb now—other than him being a nice guy—as a special envoy?*

Mr Stapleton: *Again, we will take that on notice.*

...

Mr Brown: *The visit was already planned before Mr Robb left the portfolio, so our working assumption—and I really do need to take this on notice—is that the visit was discussed between Mr Robb and Mr Ciobo, and the visit proceeded on that basis.*

Senator WONG: *What authority has Mr Ciobo given him?*

Mr Brown: *I will have to take that on notice.*

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Senator WONG: *On what basis did he sign the MOU? What authority was he exercising? He is no longer a member of the executive.*

Mr Brown: *I will have to take that on notice.*

...

Senator WONG: *I am moving on to the memorandum of understanding that he signed. A press release went out—on your website, from memory. Can you tell me what the legal status of that is, and his legal authority to sign it?*

Mr Brown: *I apologise, but we will have to take that on notice. We do not have that information at hand.*

Answer

Refer to response to question on notice 228.

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Question No 232

Program: DFAT

Topic: Foreign Minister transcripts

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Can a copy of Department's policy on what should and should not be on the Foreign Minister's ministerial website transcript page be provided?
[<http://foreignminister.gov.au/transcripts/Pages/default.aspx>]**
- 2. There are currently eight transcripts on the website from 15 September 2015 addressing the leadership spill – when were each of these interviews posted to the site?**
- 3. At whose direction was each transcript posted?**
- 4. Were any of the eight transcripts in question redacted or modified in any way?**
- 5. At whose direction did each of these changes take place?**

Answer

1. The following material is published on ministerial websites by departmental officers:
 - media releases
 - transcripts
 - op-eds
 - speeches
 - photographs
 - videosThis material must conform to Australian Government guidelines for agency-funded ministerial websites (<https://www.dto.gov.au/standard/design-guides/common-website-elements/ministerial-content>) before it will be published online.
2. 12 November 2015.
3. Transcripts were provided to the department by the Foreign Minister's Office and were published in line with Australian Government guidelines.
4. No.
5. N/A.

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Question No 233

Program: DFAT

Topic: Innovation Xchange

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

1. *Can the Department please provide an update on projects currently being worked on by the innovationXchange?*
2. *What is the cost of each project?*
3. *What is the purpose of each project?*
4. *What are the expected outcomes of each project?*
5. *What M&E frameworks are in place for each project and what measures will each project report against?*
6. *In reference to question on notice #15 from Supplementary Estimates, why is there a \$480,000 difference between the cost of the projects listed and the estimated actual of \$18.98 million?*

Answer

	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4	Question 5
iXc Project	Update	Commitment (all years)	Purpose	Key Outcome Indicators	M&E Framework
Global Innovation Fund	The GIF announced its first eight investments (a mix of grant, debt and equity finance totalling AUD 5.65 million) on 9 February 2016.	AUD \$30 million	GIF seeks to support a portfolio of innovations (new business models, policy practices or technologies) that will open up opportunities and improve lives for hundreds of millions of people in developing countries.	Identification and testing of new, more effective, scalable approaches to poverty alleviation and economic growth.	The GIF has a monitoring and evaluation system in place, managed by the GIF secretariat. DFAT's innovationXchange receives regular updates.
Data for Health	Partnership with Bloomberg Philanthropies to improve	\$20 million (2014-2016)	Improve vital health information to assist health policy makers in	(i) 250 million additional people to receive a birth or death certificate. (ii) 750	Results will be tracked against Bloomberg Philanthropies' results framework.

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	data for health in 20 pilot developing countries.		developing countries make better decisions and help individuals better access essential services	million people with an improved cause of death information. (iii) 650 million people access to mobile phone based survey to collect risk factor data.	
Seed Pacific	The design of Seed Pacific is due to be completed by June 2016.	TBD	To collaboratively develop, test and scale new business models that leverage private sector finance for development outcomes in the Pacific.	Partnering with the private sector to address business and social challenges in the Pacific.	The monitoring and evaluation framework is currently being designed. An independent evaluation manager has been engaged.
Pacific Humanitarian Challenge	129 submissions were received in February 2016, and 10 finalists announced on 7 March. Finalists were supported by expert advisers to refine their ideas on 29-31 March. Funding will be awarded to winners on 7 April 2016.	AUD 2 million	To source and test innovations to improve humanitarian response in the Pacific.	Identification and testing of new, more effective approaches to: (i) Humanitarian needs assessment (ii) Humanitarian logistics (iii) Post-disaster financial resilience	A monitoring and evaluation plan is in place for the Challenge process and will be developed for all funded projects.
Blue Economy Challenge	The Challenge opened on 29 March 2016 and will close in 30 June 2016. Finalists will pitch their ideas in August and the winners will be selected to trial their solutions in September	AUD 3 million	To source and test innovations in aquaculture that contribute to food security, nutrition, livelihoods and economic growth in the Indian Ocean.	Identification of innovative solutions that ensure both sustainable development and environmental sustainability.	A monitoring and evaluation plan is in place for the Challenge process and will be developed for all funded projects.

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	2016.				
Last Taboo (research on managing menstruation in the Pacific)	An open tender was launched in January 2016 to identify an organisation to undertake initial research. Research will commence in April to analyse barriers to effective menstrual hygiene management in the Pacific and identify innovative solutions.	innovationXchange is contributing AUD 250,000 of 500,000.	To analyse the barriers to effective menstrual hygiene management in the Pacific and develop innovative solutions to enhance women's and girls' economic and educational participation.	TBD	TBD
Expanding Collective Nutrition Impact in Timor	Formative research is underway to analyse current nutrition practices and motivations for change. Tailored nutrition messages will be developed and rolled out, including through mobile phone apps.	innovationXchange is contributing AUD1,650,830 (2015/16 – 2017-18) of a total of AUD3,037,545 (the remainder is contributed by the Timor-Leste bilateral program).	(i) To reduce the prevalence of stunting among children 0-23 months by at least 10 per cent over four years (2015/16 – 2018/19). (ii) To establish the effectiveness of technology-enhanced multi-sector approaches to tackling malnutrition.	(i) To reduce the prevalence of stunting among children 0-23 months (in Holarua in Manufahi district) by at least 10 per cent over four years.	The project is developing a joint M&E framework for all relevant programs (maternal and child health; water, sanitation and hygiene; and agriculture and food security initiatives) in the target site.
Health LAUNCH	Initial phase of an open innovation project designed to improve food for nutrition in the Pacific.	\$320,000 (2015-16)	Project seeks to address double burden of under- and over-nutrition in the Pacific	TBC	The monitoring and evaluation framework is currently being designed.

Question.6 - The \$480,000 is related to non project specific operating expenditure.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/IN WRITING

Question No 234

Program: DFAT

Topic: Fashion diplomacy

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Referring to the response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN 64:

- 1. Is the \$62,000 referred to in part B an additional spend on top of the \$55,000?***
- 2. Does this mean the Department has awarded \$117,000 in fashion related "grants"?***
- 3. Which organisations were the recipients of the \$62,000 in grants?***
- 4. Does the \$314,414 figure cited in part D encompass the grants or does it only cover fashion events?***
- 5. Have any fashion related spending commitments been made in the forward estimates?***
- 6. Can the Department please provide detailed examples of how the #fashiondiplomacy program has opened new markets for the Australian fashion industry?***
- 7. Can the Department provide an updated table (Oct 2015 to present) of fashion events and their costs as per Supplementary Estimates QoN #67?***
- 8. Can the Department provide an updated list of all future fashion events in the planning stages?***

Answer

1. Yes
2. Yes.
3. Australia-China Fashion Alliance (AUD50,000) and Miss Chitra Mangma, Khon Kaen University and Brunswick Business Incubator, Melbourne (AUD12,000).
4. The figure includes grants.

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5. None.
6. The Australian Fashion Chamber advises all designers from the October 2015 and March 2016 showcases in Paris have secured new orders as a result of participation in those events.
7. Overseas fashion events held between November 2015 and February 2016:

Post	Cost – if available	Activity
Seoul	Nil	A representative from post attended the home shopping networks' launch of Australian fashion designer Hwasook Lee. Venue: Korea Federation of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (KBIZ) headquarters
Seoul	Nil (Costs were met by Vogue Korea)	Ambassador made remarks at a special screening of the Australian film <i>The Dressmaker</i> organised by Vogue Korea." Venue: CGV Cinemas
Paris	Nil	Post hosted debut Paris Menswear Show by Australian label STRATEAS.CARLUCCI. 150 international guests including journalists, bloggers and buyers. Venue: Embassy
Zagreb	AUD1,900 (costs include model hire, makeup artists, hairdressers and stylists)	As part of post's annual Australia Day reception, post organised a fashion show to highlight two-way trade cooperation between Australia and Croatia. Venue: Westin Hotel, Zagreb

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Islamabad	AUD\$5000 (approximate cost)	Post funded a visit by RMIT fashion and textiles graduate and industry practitioner Heidi Phillips to conduct a masterclass and workshop with Pakistani fashion designers. Post worked with Austrade to deliver the events in Karachi and Lahore. Venue: Karachi's Indus Valley School of Arts and Architecture and Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry
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8. Athens, Beijing, Brasilia, Hanoi, Islamabad, Los Angeles, Nairobi, New Delhi, New York CG, Paris, and Washington posts have indicated they are planning fashion-related events in the remainder of the current financial year.

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Question No 235

Program: DFAT

Topic: ODA

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. What was the breakdown of DFAT ODA delivered through NGOs, contractors and multilateral organisations in 2014-15?**
- 2. What is the expected breakdown of DFAT ODA delivered through NGOs, contractors and multilateral organisations in 2015-16?**
- 3. What was the total funding amount (dollar value not percentage) that was delivered by commercial contractors in 2014-15?**
- 4. What is the expected total funding amount (dollar value not percentage) that will be delivered by commercial contractors in 2015-16?**
- 5. What is the total number of contractors who currently deliver DFAT ODA?**
- 6. What are the names of each of those contractors?**
- 7. What is the amount of ODA allocated to each of those contractors?**
- 8. What is the nature of the programming run by each of those contractors and in what countries or regions does that programming occur?**
- 9. What was the total funding amount (dollar value not percentage) that was delivered by NGOs in 2014-15?**
- 10. What is the expected total funding amount (dollar value not percentage) that will be delivered by NGOs in 2015-16?**
- 11. What is the total number of NGOs which currently deliver DFAT ODA?**
- 12. What are the names of each of those NGOs?**
- 13. What is the amount of ODA allocated to each of those NGOs?**
- 14. What is the nature of the programming run by each of those NGOs and in what countries or regions does that programming occur?**
- 15. In reference to this DFAT announcement
[<http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/grants-tenders-funding/tenders/business->**

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notifications/Pages/proposed-single-facility-for-delivery-of-australias-bilateral-aid-program-in-fiji.aspx], is this the first instance of an Australian aid program being contracted out to a single service provider on this scale?

- a. Who will be allowed to apply for this tender?

 - i. Will multinationals be eligible to apply?*
 - ii. Will multinationals with their headquarters overseas be eligible to apply?*
 - iii. Will companies with operations wholly outside Australia be eligible to apply?**
- b. How will accountability and transparency be managed under the new arrangement?*
- c. Has our national security been considered in making the decision to privatise the Fiji aid program? How?*

Answer

1. The breakdown of ODA delivered through NGOs, contractors and multilateral organisations for FY 2014-15 is provided in **Table 1** below.

Table 1. 2014-15 ODA Expenditure

Delivery Partner Type	FY 2014-15		
	ODA Expenditure (\$)	%	Number of aid delivery partners
Multilateral Organisations	1,903,550,526	43.4	40
Contractors	843,492,486	19.2	193
Non-Government Organisations	637,233,407	14.5	186
Other partners	1,002,373,191	22.9	341
TOTAL	4,386,649,610	100	760

2. The 2015-16 year-to-date (as at 18 March 2016) breakdown of ODA expenditure for NGOs, contractors and multilateral organisations is provided in Table 2 below. The actual 2015-16 expenditure will be reported in DFATs 2015-16 Annual Report.

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Table 2. 2015-16 Year-to-date ODA Expenditure as at 18 March 2016

Delivery Partner Type	FY 2015-16 (as at 18 March 2016)		
	ODA Expenditure (\$)	%	Number of aid delivery partners
Multilateral Organisations	878,058,577	41.3	26
Contractors	499,221,674	23.5	139
Non-Government Organisations	310,614,080	14.6	95
Other partners	437,982,777	20.6	154
TOTAL	2,125,877,109	100	414

3. The total ODA expenditure for 2014-15 was \$843,492,486. See Table 1.
4. See Table 2. The actual 2015-16 expenditure will be reported in DFATs 2015-16 Annual Report.
5. See Table 2.
6. The contractor names of all DFAT contracts over \$10,000 are publically available on AusTender. The AusTender website is <https://www.tenders.gov.au/>
7. The contract values of all DFAT contracts over \$10,000 are publically available on AusTender. The AusTender website is <https://www.tenders.gov.au/>
8. Details of aid program activities are provided on the DFAT website (<http://dfat.gov.au/aid/where-we-give-aid/Pages/where-we-give-aid.aspx>) and descriptions of all DFAT contracts over \$10,000 are published on AusTender.
9. See Table 2.
10. See Table 2. The actual 2015-16 expenditure will be reported in DFATs 2015-16 Annual Report.
11. As at 18 March 2016, a total of 95 NGOs are engaged in delivering ODA for DFAT.
12. The names of all NGOs who currently deliver grants valued at \$100,000 or more is published on DFAT's website (<http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/corporate/pages/contracts.aspx>)
13. The value of all grants to NGOs who currently deliver grants valued at \$100,000 or more is published on DFAT's website (<http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/corporate/pages/contracts.aspx>)

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14. A description of each grant valued at \$100,000 or more is published on DFAT's website (<http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/corporate/pages/contracts.aspx>)
15. No.
- A i) Yes.
- ii) Yes.
- iii) Yes.
- B) The Department will retain complete oversight and strategic direction for all aid investments in Fiji.
- C) The Fiji aid program is not being privatised. The Department already uses commercial contractors and other delivery partners to implement Australia's aid program. The proposed Fiji Program Support Facility seeks to consolidate the management of existing aid investments in Fiji, thereby reducing costs and freeing up resources. There are no national security dimensions to the contracting of the Fiji Program Support Facility.

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Question No 236

Program: DFAT

Topic: Aid

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Recent committed fund tables provided by the Department (tabled in Budget Estimates and Additional Estimates) show \$1 million in cancelled funding for Kiribati's aid program across the forward estimates.**
 - a. How many contracts have been broken as part of that \$1 million cancellation?**
- 2. Recent committed fund tables provided by the Department (tabled in Budget Estimates and Additional Estimates) show \$3 million in cancelled funding for Mongolia's aid program across the forward estimates.**
 - a. How many contracts have been broken as part of that \$3 million cancellation?**
- 3. Recent committed fund tables provided by the Department (tabled in Budget Estimates and Additional Estimates) show \$12 million in cancelled funding for Burma's aid program across the forward estimates.**
 - a. How many contracts have been broken as part of that \$12 million cancellation?**
- 4. Recent committed fund tables provided by the Department (tabled in Budget Estimates and Additional Estimates) show \$18 million in cancelled funding for the Palestinian Territory's aid program across the forward estimates.**
 - a. How many contracts have been broken as part of that \$18 million cancellation?**

Answer

There were no contracts broken as a result of the reduction in allocated funding to the following countries: Kiribati; Mongolia; Myanmar; and The Palestinian Territories.

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Question No 237

Program: DFAT

Topic: New Diplomatic posts

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. In reference to the 2015-16 Budget announcement of five new posts (PBS 2015-16, pp 19, 24):**
 - a. What are the primary missions or purposes of each of these posts?**
 - b. Have locations been chosen for each of the posts – chancellery and residence locations?**
 - i. Are each of these new buildings or existing properties?**
 - ii. What is the cost of each?**
 - c. Supplementary Estimates question on notice #45 reported that four of the posts would have 10 a-based and 23 locally engaged staff – is this still the case? If not, what are the updated figures?**
 - d. In relation to the Buka post – how many A-based and how many locally engaged staff?**
 - e. When will each of these missions be officially “opened”?**
 - f. Have Heads of Mission been assigned for any of the five new posts?**
 - i. If yes, who has been appointed?**
 - ii. If not, when are appointments expected to be made?**
- 2. \$10.7 million has been allocated in the budget for the establishment of these five posts in the current financial year.**
 - a. Is there an update to the expected budget for 2015-16?**
 - b. Is there an update to the forward estimates?**
 - c. What percentage of the \$10.7 million has been contracted or spent?**

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Answer

1. In reference to the 2015-16 Budget announcement of five new posts (PBS 2015-16, pp 19, 24):

a. What are the primary missions or purposes of each of these posts?

- **Phuket, Thailand** – provide a greater level of consular assistance to the many Australians who travel and work in and around Phuket.
- **Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia** – support our efforts to strengthen Australian trade and investment links with Mongolia. Provide consular services to the increasing number of Australians visiting and living in Mongolia. More intensively manage our development program in consultation with the Government of Mongolia.
- **Doha, Qatar** – facilitate our increasing commercial and political and security links. Provide consular services to the increasing number of Australians visiting and living in Qatar.
- **Makassar, Indonesia** – expand our commercial ties with the emerging regions of eastern Indonesia. Provide consular services for Australians living and travelling in the region.
- **Buka, Papua New Guinea** – Following further consultations with the Government of Papua New Guinea, the existing Buka office of the Australian High Commission in Port Moresby will continue to support the delivery of Australian aid in PNG. Australia will use funds instead to establish a Consulate-General in Lae, Papua New Guinea. The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Julie Bishop, announced the plan to establish the Consulate-General in Lae on 3 March.

b. Have locations been chosen for each of the posts – chancellery and residence locations?

i. Are each of these new buildings or existing properties?

1. Phuket – Chancery – An existing property.
2. Phuket – HOP Residence – Not selected yet.
3. Makassar – Chancery – An existing property.
4. Makassar – HOP Residence – Not selected yet.
5. Doha – Chancery – An existing property.
6. Doha – HOM Residence – Not selected yet.
7. Ulaanbaatar – Chancery (Interim) – An existing property.

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8. Ulaanbaatar – Chancery (Permanent) – A new building.
9. Ulaanbaatar – HOM Residence – an existing property.
10. Buka – The existing Buka office of the Australian High Commission in Port Moresby will continue to support the delivery of Australian aid in PNG.

ii. What is the cost of each?

1. Phuket – Chancery – Total Capital Budget for 2015-16 \$2.5 million.
2. Makassar – Chancery – Total Capital Budget for 2015-16 \$3.3 million.
3. Doha – Chancery – Total Capital Budget for 2015-16 \$5.1 million.
4. Ulaanbaatar – Total Capital Budget for 2015-16 \$4.6 million (includes budget for Interim Chancery).
5. Ulaanbaatar – HOM Residence – Nil Project Capital Budget.
6. For Buka, see response to 1 a). Total Capital Budget for 2015-16 was \$4.8 million.

c. *Supplementary Estimates question on notice #45 reported that four of the posts would have 10 A-based and 23 locally engaged staff – is this still the case? If not, what are the updated figures?*

The updated staffing profiles for four new posts (Ulaanbaatar, Phuket, Doha and Makassar) total 12 A-based staff and 27 locally engaged staff. These numbers do not include Head of Mission/Post domestic staff; contracted security guards; or staff from other entities.

d. *In relation to the Buka post – how many A-based and how many locally engaged staff?*

The existing Buka office of the Australian High Commission in Port Moresby is staffed by one Executive Level 1 Australia-Based officer, supported by four locally engaged staff.

e. *When will each of these missions be officially “opened”?*

- **Phuket, Thailand** – This calendar year.
- **Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia** – 22 December 2015 (Ref Minister for Foreign Affairs media release, 22 December 2015).
- **Doha, Qatar** – This calendar year.

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- **Makassar, Indonesia** – 22 March 2016 (Ref Minister for Foreign Affairs media release, 22 March 2016).
- **Buka, Papua New Guinea** – The Buka office of the Australian High Commission in Port Moresby was established in 2007.

f. Have Heads of Mission been assigned for any of the five new posts? Yes.

i. If yes, who has been appointed?

- **Phuket, Thailand** – The department does not comment on the processes surrounding Head of Mission and Head of Post appointments or provide details of those appointments until they are announced.
- **Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia** – Mr John Langtry (Ref Minister for Foreign Affairs media release, 22 December 2015).
- **Doha, Qatar** – The department does not comment on the processes surrounding Head of Mission and Head of Post appointments or provide details of those appointments until they are announced.
- **Makassar, Indonesia** – Mr Richard Mathews (Ref Minister for Foreign Affairs media release, 22 March 2015).
- **Buka, Papua New Guinea** – Staff in the Buka office report to the Australian High Commissioner in Port Moresby.

ii. If not, when are appointments expected to be made?

Head of Mission and Head of Post appointments are decisions for the Government. The department does not comment on the processes surrounding Head of Mission appointments or provide details of those appointments until they are announced. This is consistent with long-standing practice.

2. \$10.7 million has been allocated in the budget for the establishment of these five posts in the current financial year.

- a. Is there an update to the expected budget for 2015-16?** The \$10.7 million was allocated for running costs for 2015-16, including salary costs.
- b. Is there an update to the forward estimates?** The Department is forecasting that amounts included in the NPP funding will align with ongoing running costs.
- c. What percentage of the \$10.7 million has been contracted or spent?** The department is forecasting to spend its current year budget.

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Question No 238

Program: DFAT

Topic: Embassies and High Commissions

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. *Have any Australian overseas posts been combined in the past three years?***
 - a. *If yes, which ones?***
- 2. *Have any Australian overseas posts been combined with the embassies/high commissions of other countries (such as the UK) in the past three years, forming co-located posts?***
 - a. *If yes, which ones?***
- 3. *If yes to any of this, what was the cost saving?***

Answer

1. Yes
 - a. The Australian Embassy in Budapest, Hungary, was closed on 31 August 2013 and the responsibilities and accreditation transferred to our mission in Vienna, Austria.
2. Yes
 - a. The interim Australian Embassy in Kyiv, Ukraine, was established and co-located with the Canadian Embassy in Kyiv in December 2014.
 - b. The New Zealand Embassy co-located with the Australian High Commission in Accra, Ghana, in January 2015.
 - c. The New Zealand Embassy co-located with the Australian Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq, in July 2015.
 - d. The Canadian Consulate co-located with the Australian Embassy in Vientiane, Laos, in August 2015.
3. In relation to Question 1, this resulted in an annual saving of approximately \$1.05 million (post budget for 2012-13).

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In relation to Question 2:

- The cost differential between establishing a stand-alone mission in Kyiv and co-locating with the Canadian Embassy was not calculated as only an interim Australian Embassy was approved by Government at the time. The current co-location arrangements are assessed as an effective and efficient use of funds.
- Where other countries are co-located within Australian missions, DFAT recovers rent for Chancery space occupied and fees for services provided to the other countries' missions.

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Question No 239

Program: DFAT

Topic: Confidential material disposal

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

***With reference to the Canberra Times article on February 8 2016:
“DFAT destroys up to one tonne of classified documents each week”.***

- 1. What is the current number of DFAT staff involved in the transportation or destruction of classified documents?***
- 2. Do they have security clearances? What level?***
- 3. Is it their full time job? If not, what else are they responsible for?***
- 4. What is their salary range?***
- 5. Under the new arrangements highlighted in the article, how many staff will look after document destruction as a full time job?***
- 6. What will their salary range be?***
- 7. Will they have security clearances? What level?***

Answer

- 1) No DFAT staff are directly involved in the transportation or destruction of classified documents. One contract security guard helps facilitate the operation.
- 2) Yes, a Negative Vetting level 2 (Top Secret) Clearance.
- 3) No, the contractor undertakes other security guarding duties.
- 4) Salaries are commercial-in-confidence.
- 5) Should we proceed with the procurement, there will be no change in the number of guards involved.
- 6) Salaries are commercial-in-confidence.
- 7) Yes, a Negative Vetting level 2 (Top Secret) Clearance.

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Question No 240

Program: DFAT

Topic: HOM/HOP

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

With regard to the table provided in Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #41:

- 1. What appointments have been made since the last Estimates?*
- 2. Which posts are expected to be vacated in the next 12 months?*

Answer

- The following Head of Mission and Head of Post appointments have been made since the last Estimates (October 2015):

Name	Position	Post
Jan Adams	Ambassador	Beijing
Angela Corcoran	Ambassador	Phnom Penh
Bruce Cowled	High Commissioner	Tarawa
Bruce Davis	High Commissioner	Port Moresby
John Donnelly	High Commissioner	Nauru
David Engel	Ambassador	Mexico City
Andrew Ford	High Commissioner	Nuku'Alofa
George Fraser	Ambassador	Pohnpei
Amanda Gorely	Ambassador	Manila
Joseph Hockey	Ambassador	Washington
Bryce Hutchesson	High Commissioner	Colombo
John Langtry	Ambassador	Ulaanbaatar
Karen Lanyon	Consul-General	Ho Chi Minh City
Paul Lehmann	High Commissioner	Abuja
Chelsey Martin	Consul-General	Los Angeles
John Pilbeam	High Commissioner	Port of Spain
John Richardson	Ambassador	Brasilia
Harinder Sidhu	High Commissioner	New Delhi
Helena Studdert	Consul-General	Bali
Patrick Suckling	Ambassador	Environment
Arthur Spyrou	Ambassador	Abu Dhabi
Peter Tesch	Ambassador	Moscow
Paul Wojciechowski	Ambassador	Warsaw
Peter Woolcott	High Commissioner	Wellington

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2. Head of Mission and Head of Post appointments are determined by the Government of the day. We expect the following Ambassador and High Commissioner positions will fall vacant in 2016:

Post	Position
Amman	Ambassador
Bandar Seri Begawan	High Commissioner
Berlin	Ambassador
Dhaka	High Commissioner
Doha	Ambassador
Dublin	Ambassador
Hanoi	Ambassador
Holy See	Ambassador
Hong Kong	Consul-General
Honiara	High Commissioner
Jakarta ASEAN	Ambassador
Kabul	Ambassador
Malta	High Commissioner
Mumbai	Consul-General
Port Vila	High Commissioner
Rome	Ambassador
Santiago	Ambassador
Seoul	Ambassador
Singapore	High Commissioner
Stockholm	Ambassador
Tehran	Ambassador
Tokyo	Ambassador
Vienna	Ambassador
Zagreb	Ambassador

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Question No 241

Program: DFAT

Topic: Secretary appointment

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Is the Secretary's last day with the Department known?***
- 2. When is it?***
- 3. Is the recruitment process underway?***
- 4. How many candidates are being considered?***
- 5. Who is running the recruitment process?***
- 6. Is there are panel?***
- 7. How many people are on it?***
- 8. Who are they?***
- 9. What makes a good Secretary of DFAT – what qualities is the recruitment process looking for?***

Answer

1. Yes.
2. 1 July 2016.
- 3.-9. The selection process is managed by the Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, to whom questions about the process should be directed.

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Question No 242

Program: DFAT

Topic: Staff profile

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. What were the savings generated by the recent Departmental staff reduction of more than 500 jobs?*
- 2. How many A-based staff did DFAT have in total in each year from 1986 to present?*
- 3. How many A-based staff did DFAT have based overseas in each year from 1986 to present?*
- 4. How is the Department advancing the status of women and gender equity within the Department?*

Answer

1. DFAT's staffing reductions since integration with AusAID in 2013 delivered approximately \$110 million in Government savings over the 2014-15 financial year, out of a total of \$400 million savings over the four-year forward estimates.

2-3. The table below provides the number of A-based staff DFAT had each year from 1991 to 2015. Data prior to 1991 is not readily available and compiling pre 1991 data would have unreasonably diverted departmental resources.

Year	A-Based	O/Seas	Year	A-Based	O/Seas	Year	A-Based	O/Seas
1991	2,582	851	2000	2,006	528	2008	2,153	542
1992	3,222	833	2001	1,960	524	2009	2,226	537
1993	3,265	782	2002	1,959	532	2010	2,385	563
1994	3,416	788	2003	1,923	517	2011	2,480	586
1995	3,283	759	2004	1,950	506	2012	2,479	633
1996	3,201	680	2005	1,986	494	2013	2,506	648
1997	2,879	618	2006	2,040	507	2014	3,950	864
1998	1,996	531	2007	2,165	548	2015	3,758	844
1999	2,013	527						

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4. The DFAT women in Leadership strategy was launched in November 2015. The strategy contains a range of actions intended to support women's career advancement and build a more inclusive workplace culture. The strategy's goal is a workplace which maximises performance and capability by enabling all women and men to thrive equally.

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Question No 243

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial travel

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. In reference to the table provided in response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #88:**
 - a. What travel has been undertaken by Minister Bishop and Minister Robb over the period from 22 October 2015 to present?**
 - b. For each visit:**
 - i. How many days have the Ministers spent in country?**
 - ii. Did s/he travel on a commercial or RAAF (VIP) flight?**
 - iii. What was the purpose of the visit?**
 - iv. How many staff travelled with him/her?**
 - v. Which staff members travelled with him/her?**
 - vi. Who did s/he meet with in country?**
 - vii. What were the outcomes of those meetings?**
- 2. Since coming into office as Prime Minister, has Mr Turnbull travelled to any countries in addition to New Zealand, Indonesia, Germany, Turkey (G20), Philippines (APEC), Malaysia (EAS), Malta (CHOGM), France (COP21), Japan, Afghanistan, and the United States?**
 - a. Can the Department confirm that list?**
 - b. Did DFAT support his program in those countries?**
 - c. What was the nature of the support provided in each country?**
- 3. Was the travel Minister Bishop undertook to the US on 16 January completely private/personal?**
 - a. Did she meet all the costs herself? If not, what costs did the Australian Government meet?**
 - b. Did DFAT provide any assistance or support to her during her private travel including:**
 - i. assistance on arrival in the airport?**
 - ii. an airport transfer?**

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- c. If so, many DFAT staff supported her airport arrival and transfer?*
 - d. Did she return to Australia between undertaking the private travel and attending G'Day USA events late the following week (21 January)?*
- 4. Can the Department provide more information on the “Iron Chef-style Australian food event” which Mr Turnbull attended in Japan?**
- a. Who organised the event?*
 - b. Who met the costs?*
 - c. What were the costs incurred by DFAT?*
 - d. How many people attended the event?*
 - e. What was the purpose of the event?*

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Answer

1. Details of ministerial overseas travel from 22 October 2015 to 11 February 2016, all of which was conducted by commercial means:

In relation to Ms Bishop:

Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying Staff
Italy (Rome) and the United Kingdom (London)	1-6 February 2016	6	<u>Rome</u> : 1-3 February <u>London</u> : 3-4 February No. of Advisers: 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rome: Attended a Ministerial Meeting of the Small Group of the US-led Global Coalition to Counter Daesh. Attended Working Group and UN Updates. Background briefings with Australian media. Met with Mr Paolo Gentiloni, Italian Foreign Minister. Met the Foreign Ministers of Iraq, Jordan, Denmark, France and Egypt and Mr Brett McGurk, US Special Presidential Envoy for the Global Coalition to Counter ISIL. Met Senator Francesco Giacobbe and the Hon Marco Fedi. - London: Attended Syria and the Region Reception. Attended 'Supporting Syria and the Region London 2016'. Met the Foreign Minister of Qatar. Delivered speech during 'Jobs and Economic Development' conference element. Met Hon Helen Clark, UNDP Administrator, met (pull aside meeting) with Chinese Foreign Minister. Held media interviews. 			

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Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying Staff
United States (New York, Washington and Los Angeles)	21-31 January	11	<u>New York</u> : 21-26 January <u>Washington</u> : 26-28 January <u>Los Angeles</u> : 28-29 January No. of Advisers: 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New York: Attended a 100 Women in Hedge Funds event. Met with the Australian Fashion Foundation. Delivered a keynote speech at the G'Day USA/American-Australian Association (AAA) Economic luncheon. Attended the G'Day USA/AAA Australia Day Gala Event. - Washington: Delivered the keynote address at the Mapping Asia's Trajectory: An Australian Perspective. Met Vice-President Joe Biden, and National Security Adviser The Hon Susan Rice. Met Mr James R Clapper, Director, National Intelligence (ODNI) and Mr John O Brennan, Director, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). Met Senate Foreign Relations Chairman Bob Corker (R-Tennessee). Attended Defence Innovation Roundtable hosted by the American-Australia Council. Attended the Australia Day Reception at the Embassy. Held media interviews - Los Angeles: Attended the G'Day USA Gala. Spoke at the G'DAY USA US-Australian Dialogue on Cooperation in the Asia Pacific "Fire-side discussion" and Q&A with Kal Raustiala, Director, UCLA Berkeley Center for International Relations. Attended the G'Day USA Foreign Policy Roundtable hosted by USSC and RAND Corporation. Visited Northrop Grumman Space Park (including tour of Innovation FabLab, hackathon and FA-18 production line). Attended G'Day USA Sponsors and Partners Reception. Met Mr Brett Ratner, co-founder of RatPac Entertainment, studio executives and prominent Australians in film. Met with Mr Andrew Liveris, CEO Dow Chemicals 			

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Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying Staff
France (Paris) and the United Kingdom (London)	5-14 December 2015	10	<u>Paris</u> : 6 December <u>London</u> : 10 December No. of Advisers: 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paris: Attended the 21st Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21). Met the Foreign Minister of Fiji, Ratu Inoke Kubuabola. Met the Marshall Islands Foreign Minister. Met the Foreign Minister of Norway, Børge Brende. Met the Environment Minister of Japan, Ms Tamayo Marukawa. Hosted a reception for Australian stakeholders. Attended an European Union reception. Met Foreign Minister of Singapore, Vivian Balakrishnan. Spoke at Indonesian side event – The Pathway to a Sustainable Low Carbon and Climate Resilient Economy. Addressed Climate and Clean Air Coalition High-Level Assembly. Chaired a roundtable of Pacific Island Ministers. Delivered keynote speech to the Carbon Market Institute: Spotlight on Australia – Policy, Business and Markets. Met the Foreign Minister of France, Laurent Fabius. Hosted a dinner with senior Australian business representatives. Met the UN Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon. Met Interpol’s Secretary General, Jurgen Stock, and Executive Director of Policing, Tim Morris. Met with the Coalition for High Ambition Alliance. - London: Met with the Secret Intelligence Service. 			

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Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying Staff
Philippines (Manila)	15-18 November 2015	4	<u>Manila</u> : 15-18 November No. of Advisers: 2
<p>- Manila: Attended the APEC Ministerial Meeting. Met the Hon Stéphane Dion MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Canada. Met Mr John Rice, Vice Chairman, General Electric Company. Met HE Pham Binh Minh, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Vietnam. Met the Hon Teresita ‘Ging’ Quintos-Deles, Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process. Met the Hon Albert del Rosario, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Philippines. Met the Hon Don Pramudwinai, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Thailand. Attended launch of the DFAT child protection strategy. Attended the Prime Minister’s meeting with the Hon Barack Obama, President of the United States of America. Hosted a roundtable on the Economic Empowerment of Women in the Philippines.</p>			

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Papua New Guinea (Port Moresby, Wapenamanda and Wabag)	6-8 November 2015	3	<u>Port Moresby</u> :6-7 November <u>Wapenamanda</u> : 7 November <u>Wabag</u> :7 November No. of Advisers: 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Port Moresby: Met the Hon Rimbink Pato MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Immigration. Met the Hon John Pundari MP, Minister for Environment and Conservation. Opened Kila Kila Primary School refurbishment with the Hon Justin Tkatchenko MP, Minister for Sports and National Events and Member for Moresby South. Launched the Pacific Leadership and Governance Precinct, and the Pacific Women in Business website. Attended dinner with Westpac representatives and leading PNG businesswomen. Launched the New Colombo Plan in Papua New Guinea. Hosted a morning tea with local entrepreneurs as part of the Kumul GameChanger Initiative (an Australian-funded PNG pilot entrepreneurship program). Met with Michelle McGeorge, General Manager, Port Moresby Nature Park. Met with the Hon Michael Malabag MP, Minister for Health and HIV/AIDS. - Wapenamanda: Met with women community leaders, accompanied by Minister Pato. Toured the Mambisanda Immanuel Lutheran District Hospital. - Wabag: Visited Enga Nursing College and announced Australian drought assistance. 			

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Indonesia (Padang)	22-24 October 2015	3	<u>Padang</u> : 22-23 October No. of Advisers: 2
- Padang : Bilateral meeting with Secretary General of Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA). Attended the IORA Council of Ministers Meeting. Met with the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Indonesia, HE Ms Retno Marsudi.			

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In relation to Mr Robb:

Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying Staff
New Zealand	3 to 4 February 2016	2	<u>Auckland</u> : 3 to 4 February 2016 No. of Advisers: 2
- Auckland : Attended a Ministerial Meeting and Signing Ceremony for the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP).			

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Switzerland and Singapore	18 to 27 January 2016	8	<p><u>Zurich</u>: 19 to 20 and 23 to 24 January 2016</p> <p><u>Davos</u>: 20 to 23 January 2016</p> <p><u>Singapore</u>: 25 to 26 January 2016</p> <p>No. of Advisers: 2</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Zurich: Attended business reception co-hosted by Australian Swiss Chamber of Commerce. Met the Acting CEO and Chief Medical Officer of FIND and the Head of the Global Health Technology Platform and Head of Fundraising and Stakeholder Management at Merck. Met the Chairman of Waypoint. - Davos: Attended the World Economic Forum (WEF) Informal Gathering of World Economic Leaders. Attended an Informal Small Group Dinner of WTO Ministers and WTO Director General, hosted by Swiss Minister and Informal Gathering of WTO Trade Ministers and working lunch. Attended receptions with Zurich Insurance Group, The Wall Street Journal and Tata Consultancy Services. Hosted a Trade in Services Agreement Ministerial Breakfast meeting. Co-hosted a reception with Senator Matthias Cormann and the Australian National University. Met the EU Commissioner for Trade and Indian Minister of Finance. Met the Chairman of Bloomberg, CEO and President of Total, Chairman of Ferrovial, Chairman and CEO of The Down Chemical Company, Chairman of Mitsubishi Group, President and Co-CEO of Bridgewater Associates, Group Chief Investment Officer of GIC, President and CEO of Mitsui President/CEO and Head of International, Canadian Pension Plan Investment Board, Vice-Chairman of GE. - Singapore: Met Singapore's Ministers for Trade & Industry, Defence and Foreign Affairs. Participated in events on Northern Australia investment and innovation. Attended the Asia-Pacific Oil and Gas Assembly. Met the Australian Institute of Company Directors 			

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Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying Staff
Kenya	13 to 20 December 2015	7	<u>Nairobi</u> : 13 to 20 December 2015 No. of Advisers: 2
<p>- Nairobi: Attended the 10th WTO Ministerial Conference (MC10). Attended a Cairns Group Ministerial Meeting, an International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development event with Pacific Island countries and an Enhanced Integrated Framework Pledging Conference. Attended a Roundtable with Mining Industry Representatives, a Reception for Australian Business in Kenya and a Reception with Pacific Trade Ministers. Met the US Trade Representative, Canadian Minister of International Trade Chinese Vice Minister for Commerce, the Indonesian Minister for Trade, the New Zealand Minister for Trade, the Indian Minister of State for Commerce and Industry, the Saudi Arabian Minister of Commerce and Industry, the Kenya Cabinet Secretary for Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Lesotho Minister of Trade and Industry, Brazilian Minister for External Relations, the WTO Director-General and Chef de Cabinet of the Office of the WTO Director-General. Conducted interviews with Inside US Trade and Australian radio.</p>			

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Philippines and Indonesia	15 to 20 November 2015	5	<u>Manila</u> : 15 to 16 November 2015 <u>Yogyakarta/Jakarta</u> : 17 to 19 November 2015 No. of Advisers: 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Manila: Attended 27th APEC Ministerial Meeting. Met the Canadian Minister of International Trade, Malaysian Minister for International Trade and Industry, Chinese Vice Minister of Commerce and Indonesian Minister for Trade. Attended a reception to launch a photographic exhibition to celebrate 70 years of friendship and bilateral relations and a Breakfast with senior Australian business representatives in the Philippines and ABAC delegate. Met executives from Telstra. Conducted media interviews. - Yogyakarta: Attended an Indonesia-Australia Business Council Conference. Met the Governor of Yogyakarta. Conducted media interviews. - Jakarta: Attended Indonesia-Australian Business Week (IABW) including a gala dinner. Met DFAT and Austrade staff based in Jakarta. Conducted media interviews. 			

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Visit	Dates	Days Away	Locations Accompanying Staff
India	24 to 29 October 2015	5	<u>New Delhi</u> : 24 to 27 October 2015 <u>Chennai</u> : 28 October 2015 No. of Advisers: 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- New Delhi: Attended the Australia-India Leadership Dialogue. Met the Minister for Commerce and Industry, Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Minister of State for Finance, Minister of Railways, Chief Economic Adviser. Conducted a phone call with the Principal Secretary to Prime Minister. Met the Co-Chair of the Australia India CEO Forum. Conducted a media roundtable. Attended a dinner at the High Commissioner's Residence.- Chennai: Met the Tamil Nadu Minister for Finance and Public Works and Minister for Industries and Transport. Attended a Technology Investment Roundtable. Met the Vice President and Head of Chennai Operations for Tata Consultancy Services. Attended a reception and performance by the Australian World Orchestra. Visited the Indian Institute of Technology Madras Research Park and met the director of IIT Madras. Conducted a media conference.			

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2. No.
 - a) Yes.
 - b) Yes.
 - c) DFAT provided briefing and logistical support to these visits.

3. Ms Bishop was on a personal visit from 16 to 20 January. Her visit became official business in New York on 21 January.
 - a) Ms Bishop met her own costs during her personal visit.
 - b) i) DFAT offered to provide assistance at the airport, which was accepted. This is consistent with Departmental guidelines. ii) no.
 - c) Two staff facilitated Ms Bishop's arrival in Los Angeles.
 - d) No.

4. Yes.
 - a) Austrade.
 - b) Austrade.
 - c) No costs were directly incurred by DFAT.
 - d) 128 people. 24 chefs participated in the competition, 39 other hotel and restaurant participants, 23 guests and 42 media representatives. The event attracted Japanese media coverage in: Nihon Shokuryo Shimbun; Nihon Consumer News; The Japan Food News; Nihon Shokuryo Shimbun; The Daily Wines & Spirits; Wands Magazine; and Daily Meat News, amongst others.
 - e) The launch event was designed to leverage the Prime Minister's presence in Japan to profile the broader Japan-Australia Economic Partnership Agreement (JAEPA) Australian Menu Competition which involves 42 restaurants and hotels preparing menus using JAEPA benefited Australian premium ingredients and wines for an Australian Premium Food and Beverage promotion campaign. The campaign provides an opportunity for Australian Food and Beverage exporters with existing businesses in the market to expand sales and for broader media promotion of the Australian premium food and wine message. A celebratory judging panel including the original Iron Chef (French) Sakai selected ten finalists to participate in a group cook-off on 19 April from which the final top four chefs and a top sommelier will be selected to undertake a program in Australia in the first week of June. TV Tokyo Channel 4 covered the JAEPA Australian Menu Competition and will air a 17 minute dedicated program on their nightly program "EVERY" in May profiling JAEPA benefited premium Australian ingredients and wine in premium venues in Japan.

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Question No 244

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial travel to New York

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Minister's visit to the Top of the Standard in New York in January 2016

- 1. Did DFAT, including any posts in the United States, provide the Minister with any assistance?***
- 2. Was the Minister provided with security?***
- 3. Was the Minister provided with transport?***
- 4. Any other assistance or support?***

Answer

1. The Minister attended the Standard Highline Hotel for the “Bring Your Own American” (#BYOA) event, as a part of the Minister’s official program. No additional assistance was provided.
2. The Minister’s Close Personal Protection officer accompanied the Minister throughout her travel within the USA, as per standard practice.
3. The Minister was provided with ground transportation to and from the ‘Bring Your Own American’ event.
4. No.

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Question No 245

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ministerial travel

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Minister's official visit to the United States starting in January 2016

- 1. Please provide the Minister's full official program for the visit.*
- 2. Was the Minister provided with any assistance by DFAT, including any posts in the United States, in relation to any activities or events that were not part of the official program?*
- 3. What were those activities or events? Please provide a full list, with location, venue and a comprehensive description for each. Please detail what assistance was provided by DFAT, including any posts in the United States, in relation to each of those activities or events.*

Answer

1. See response to QoN 243.
2. There were no activities or events outside the official program.
3. N/A

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Question No 246

Program: DFAT

Topic: Indonesia

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Can the Department provide an update on the political environment in West Papua?**
- 2. What resources does the Department engage to monitor the situation in West Papua?**

Answer

1.

- . Papuan civil society is generally underdeveloped and Papuan employment in the public or private sector is generally low. However, elected ethnic Papuans now lead all Papuan provinces and districts, and are well represented in regional legislatures. There is currently one Papuan in cabinet.
 - Indonesia's 342 sub-provincial districts and cities (including 15 in the provinces of Papua and West Papua) are scheduled to conduct elections in the period July 2016 and June 2017
 - voters will be electing regents (bupati) and mayors.
- . The political and human rights condition in Indonesia's Papua provinces have improved in recent years but the Australian Government recognises there are still problems that need to be addressed.
 - Papua became increasingly stable under former President Yudhoyono's term, with reductions in human rights violations owing to improvements in military and police discipline in their management of civil disorder.
 - a shift in central government policy from a security to a prosperity (development-led) approach has led to gradual improvements in human rights and overall security. President Joko Widodo has continued this development-led policy approach in the Papua provinces.
- . President Widodo announced on 10 May 2015 that reporting restrictions on foreign journalists visiting the Papua provinces would be lifted.

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2.

- . Officials of the Australian Embassy in Jakarta closely monitor developments in Indonesia's Papua provinces through regular visits
 - the Embassy has good access to a large network of contacts spanning police and government officials, activists, students, lawyers, NGOs
- . Australian officials routinely visit the Papua provinces and will continue to do so
 - since the start of 2016 there have been three visits by Australian officials
 - in 2015, Australian officials conducted 19 visits
 - in 2014, Australian officials conducted 23 visits
 - in 2013, Australian officials conducted 25 visits.

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Question No 247

Program: DFAT

Topic: US Alliance

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. *While in the US in November, Mr Turnbull was scolded by President Obama who had heard about the sale of the Port of Darwin through reading a newspaper – what measures have been put in place to make sure that an embarrassing diplomatic incident such as this one does not occur again?***
- 2. *When visiting Washington in mid-January the Prime Minister was invited to stay at Blair House.***
 - a. Has the Foreign Minister been invited to stay at Blair House?***
 - b. Have previous Australian Foreign Ministers been invited to stay at Blair House?***
 - c. If yes, which ones?***
 - d. Was Mr Abbott ever invited to stay at Blair House?***
 - e. Have previous Australian Prime Ministers been invited to stay at Blair House?***
 - f. If yes, which ones?***
 - g. Is there a cost associated with staying at Blair House?***
 - h. If yes, what is that cost and who met it when Prime Minister Turnbull stayed at Blair House?***
- 3. *What does the Department understand “lifestyle superpower” to mean?***
- 4. *Is this a term used by the Department commonly?***

Answer

- 1.** This is a question for the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.
- 2. a.** No. While it is a matter for the US Government, invitations to stay at Blair House are usually reserved for heads of state or government, at the discretion of the White House.

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- b.** Not to our knowledge.
- c.** Not applicable.
- d-h.** This is a question for the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.
- 3.** A term to describe a country with a high level of soft power based on the attractiveness of its society, economy, environment and way of life.
- 4.** On occasion. The term is understood by foreign policy commentators and media.

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Question No 248

Program: DFAT

Topic: Russia

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Does the Department consider Mr Abbott's relationship with Russia's President Putin to be a point of national pride?**
- 2. Is the Department comfortable with the level of attention Mr Abbott's "shirt-fronting" threat continues to get on the world stage?**
- 3. Is the Department aware of the exchange between Foreign Minister Lavrov and Foreign Minister Bishop described in the 3 December 2015 Peter Hartcher article?**
- 4. What is the Departments assessment of our current relationship with Russia?**
- 5. Have Mr Abbott's comments and the jokes/remarks that continue to resonate damaged our relations with Russia?**
- 6. Have Mr Abbott's comments and the jokes/remarks that continue to resonate damaged our ability to negotiate seriously with Russia?**

Answer

1. It is not DFAT's role to offer a commentary on Mr Abbott's relationship with President Putin.
2. This is not an issue which continues to attract attention.
3. DFAT can confirm that Foreign Minister Bishop and Foreign Minister Lavrov attended the ASEAN Regional Forum in Kuala Lumpur on 6 August 2015. The content of discussions between them remains confidential, consistent with normal diplomatic practice.
4. Australia's relationship with Russia has been constrained since Russia's purported annexation of Crimea in March 2014 and in the wake of the downing of MH17. However, engagement with Russia continues in areas where it is in our national interest to do so.
5. No.

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6. No.

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Question No 249

Program: DFAT

Topic: World Expo

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Referring to the answer provided to Question 97 in writing from the Supplementary Estimates on 22 October 2015. In Question 3 the Department was asked: "Did the Department do a cost benefit analysis of participation? Please provide a copy of that analysis's findings." The answer was "No and N/A" But in the answer to question 7, it states that "Australia's participation at future World Expos is assessed on a case-by-case basis, balancing potential trade and investment benefits against the cost of participation."

- 1. How is an assessment which balances "potential trade and investment benefits against the cost of participation" different to a cost-benefit analysis?*
- 2. Do you agree that an assessment, which in DFAT's own words, balances benefits against costs of participation, could be seen to be a cost-benefit analysis?*
- 3. So if the assessment conducted by DFAT about Expo Milano performed those functions but was not a cost benefit analysis, please explain the difference.*
- 4. Did DFAT make a mistake in its answer to Question 3?*

Referring to Question 7 within Question 97 in which DFAT states that "Australia's participation at future World Expos is assessed on a case-by-case basis, balancing potential trade and investment benefits against the cost of participation. Consideration includes strong economic links, compelling business benefits and private sector support; and the right fiscal environment in Australia for Government to finance participation."

- 5. What are the potential trade and investment benefits of Australia participating in:
 - a. Expo Kazakhstan 2017?*
 - b. Expo Dubai 2020?**
- 6. Are there compelling business benefits and private sector support for Australia's participation in:
 - a. Expo Kazakhstan 2017?*
 - b. Expo Dubai 2020?**

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7. *Does Australia have strong economic links with*
 - a. *Kazakhstan?*
 - b. *The United Arab Emirates?*
8. *What is the definition of the “right fiscal environment?”*
9. *Who decides the definition of the “right fiscal environment?”*
10. *What factors affect the “right fiscal environment?”*
11. *Is participation in World Fairs a cost or an investment?*
12. *Does Australia have the right fiscal environment to finance participation in*
 - a. *Expo Kazakhstan 2017?*
 - b. *Expo Dubai 2020?*

Answer

1. They are complementary processes.
2. The Government’s decision on Milan Expo 2015 considered costs of participation against trade and investment benefits. Cost-benefit analysis, in its generally understood approach as a structured study of net present value and rate of return, was not undertaken.
3. There was no formal evaluation conducted on Milan Expo 2015. An assessment of indicative costs, sponsorship support and outcomes of Australia’s participation in Milan 2015 was prepared by the department.
4. DFAT did not make a mistake in its answer to Question 3 of Question 97 in writing from Supplementary Estimates on 22 October 2015. The Government’s decision on Milan Expo 2015 considered costs of participation against trade and investment benefits. Cost-benefit analysis, in its generally understood approach as a structured study of net present value and rate of return, was not undertaken.
5. This is unknown.
6. A). Trade with Kazakhstan is \$35 million, making the country Australia’s 132nd trading partner in size. The Government assessed the benefits of participating at the Astana 2017 specialised exposition did not merit the significant costs of doing so.
B). No decision has been taken on Dubai 2020.
7. A). Australia has limited economic interests in Kazakhstan.
B). Australia has strong and growing economic links in the UAE.
8. A strong Budget position.
9. The Government.
10. This is a decision for Government.
11. The cost of participation in World Expos is significant. For example, the Government contributed: \$10 million for Yeosu in 2012; \$73 million for

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Shanghai in 2010; \$37.6 million for Aichi in 2005; and \$11.9 million for Hanover in 2000. There were no analysis of economic impact and benefits, so it would be difficult to quantify investment returns from previous participation.

12. A). Australia is not participating in Kazakhstan 2017.
- B). No decision has been taken on Dubai Expo 2020.

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Question No 250

Program: DFAT

Topic: Syria

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. What assessments had DFAT made about the level of humanitarian need in Syria, and Australia's contribution, prior to the announcement of \$25 million on 4 February?**
- 2. In 2015 and to date in 2016, what direct requests to the Government were made for contributions to humanitarian assistance for Syria, Iraq and other humanitarian emergencies?**
 - a. From whom?**
 - b. How much?**
 - c. For what purpose?**
- 3. Did DFAT do an assessment of what would constitute Australia's "fair share" ahead of the 4 Feb London Syria Donor Conference?**
 - a. How was it done and what were the criteria for determining this?**
 - b. How was the sum of \$20 million for Syria and \$5 million for Iraq arrived at?**
- 4. Given that the UK Government have pledged \$2.3 billion, the German Government \$3.6 billion and the US Government \$1.3 billion, does \$20 million for Syria and \$5 million for Iraq represent Australia's fair share?**
- 5. Oxfam estimates that Australia's "fair share" contribution to the Syrian refugee crisis in 2015 and at the London Syria Donor Conference was approximately \$170 million AUD and that our contribution in London therefore should have been \$125 million AUD (five times the actual) – how does DFAT assess that analysis?**
- 6. Have any international partners commented to the Department or to the Minister on whether or not the \$25 million is Australia's fair share?**
- 7. From where in the Budget will DFAT be taking the 4 Feb announcement of \$20 million for Syria and \$5 million for Iraq?**
- 8. The 2015-16 Budget allocated \$200 million to the Humanitarian and Emergency response fund.**
 - a. At present how much of that fund has been committed?**

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- b. How much has been contracted?*
 - c. How much has been spent?*
 - d. How much has been committed/contracted/spent on Syria?*
- 9. How will the \$20 million for Syria and \$5 million for Iraq be spent?**
- a. How will it be divided between Syria, Iraq and other territories currently housing Syrian and Iraqi refugees?*
 - b. Of the money spent inside Syria how will it be divided between regime held and opposition held areas?*
- 10. How does DFAT assess the impact of Australian and allied military action on the humanitarian situation in Syria? This question is in particular reference to besieged areas where the bombing of opposition supply lines, in efforts to prevent the supply of weapons to extremist groups, may also have impacted the delivery of essential humanitarian aid to civilians in besieged areas?**
- 11. Has there been discussion between DFAT and Defence on the coordination of military action with ongoing humanitarian activities of Australian and other international aid actors in Syria and Iraq?**

Answer

1. DFAT staff in the Middle East and Canberra maintain a continuous assessment of the humanitarian situation in Syria and the region.
2. The UN has had annual appeals in place for Syria and the regional refugee response (covering Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey, Egypt and Iraq) since 2012. The UN launched its 2016 Syria appeals in December 2015, seeking US\$7.7 billion. In the lead up to the Syria Donors Conference, the UN and the co-hosts of the Conference made public and private calls on donors to encourage further funding. This included formal and ad-hoc meetings with Australian officials across a number of countries and in Australia.
3. Australia's funding for the Syria humanitarian crisis comes exclusively from DFAT's 'Emergency Fund' budget line. Decisions to draw an allocation from the Fund are influenced by the scale of the humanitarian event, the quantum remaining in the Fund at the time of the event, and an assessment of likely calls on the Fund for the remainder of the financial year. The decision to provide \$20 million for the Syria humanitarian crisis was consistent with Australia's commitment at the Kuwait III pledging conference in 2015. An additional \$5 million was made available for the Iraq response due to its challenges in assisting refugees and its own displaced population.

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4. Australia's contribution at the Syria Donors Conference is drawn from DFAT's Emergency Fund. Decisions to draw an allocation from the Fund are influenced by the scale of the humanitarian event, the quantum remaining in the Fund at the time of the event, and an assessment of the likely calls on the Fund for their remainder of the financial year.
5. Australia is making a substantial contribution in response to the Syria and Iraq crises involving humanitarian assistance, refugee resettlement and military assistance. Planned government expenditure on these various initiatives amounts to over \$1.6 billion over four years.
6. We are not aware of any international partners associated with our humanitarian response to the Syria crisis commenting to the Minister or the Department about Australia's 'fair share'.
7. The \$25 million has been allocated from DFAT's Emergency Fund.
8. a) The budget allocation for the Emergency Fund for 2015-16 is \$120 million. \$95.4 million has been committed.
b) As at 24 March 2016, DFAT has contracted \$79.35 million. The remaining \$16.05 million is committed to responses in Syria, Fiji and the Indo-Pacific.
c) As at 24 March 2016, DFAT has spent \$79.35 million.
d) \$54 million has been committed to the Syria humanitarian response from the Emergency Fund. As at 24 March 2016, \$49 million has been contracted and spent.
9. a) \$16 million of 'un-earmarked' funding has been provided to countries hosting Syrian refugees, in line with the UN's Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan, covering Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey, Iraq and Egypt. This includes \$5 million to UNHCR, \$4 million to WFP and \$4 million to UNICEF. \$3 million will be provided through Australian NGOs to deliver education and livelihood activities in Jordan.
\$4 million is being provided to an international humanitarian organisation (name undisclosed for safety reasons) operating inside Syria.
\$5 million is being provided for the Iraq crisis response. The UNDP's Funding Facility for Immediate Stabilization has received \$2 million and an international humanitarian organisation (name undisclosed for safety reasons) received \$3 million.
b) DFAT provides 'un-earmarked' funding inside Syria to an international humanitarian organisation, who we do not name at their request for safety reasons. They allocate funding based on comprehensive needs assessments and their ability to safely access affected regions.
10. Australia is conducting airstrikes against Daesh in eastern Syria, the legal basis for which is the collective self-defence of Iraq. The Australian Air Task

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Group (ATG) undertakes detailed and robust pre-mission planning, which ensures that Australia's legal obligations are applied. This, together with the use of sophisticated guided munitions, is designed to avoid civilian casualties and damage to civilian infrastructure. The ATG only employs weapons appropriate for a selected target and that deliver precise effects. Members of the Australian Defence Force operate under strict Rules of Engagement designed to protect our forces and minimise the risk of injury to civilian non-combatants and strictly comply with Australia's obligations under domestic and international law.

11. Australia does not implement its own aid programs in Syria. DFAT provides funding to international humanitarian organisations that maintain a watching brief on the security situation.

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Question No 251

Program: DFAT

Topic: Africa

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Is it the case that Minister Bishop did not visit Africa in 2015?***
- 2. When was Minister Bishop's last visit to Africa?***
- 3. Does Minister Bishop have an Africa visit planned? If yes, to which countries?***

Answer

1. Minister Bishop did not visit Africa in 2015.
2. Minister Bishop last visited Africa (South Africa, Mauritius and Madagascar) in September 2014.
3. No visit to Africa is currently planned for 2016.

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Question No 252

Program: DFAT

Topic: QoN 112

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. In reference to the last paragraph of the response to Supplementary Estimates QoN #112:**

In one meeting, the change in Australia's aid to Africa was raised with the head of delegation. More broadly, discussions on ODA were part of the negotiations leading up to the agreement of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda.

- a. What was raised?***
- b. Who raised it?***
- c. What did they say?***
- d. How did DFAT respond?***
- e. Was it Mr McDonald who responded?***
- f. If not, who?***
- g. What did they say?***

Answer

It has been the practice of successive Governments not to disclose the content of discussions with officials from other countries.

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Question No 253

Program: DFAT

Topic: Pacific Climate Change

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Can the Department please provide an update on the challenge of climate change facing the Pacific?*
- 2. Was climate change and the Pacific a focus of the December 2015 UN Climate Change Conference in Paris?*
- 3. Is the Department aware of the remarks made by Minister Bishop in Question Time on 1 December?*
- 4. Following Peter Dutton's climate change "joke" caught by a boom mic, was the Minister's behaviour in Question Time on 1 December wise?*
- 5. Have members of the Government made apologies to Pacific leaders following these gaffs?*
- 6. How is the Department conveying to the Pacific Australia's position on climate change in the Pacific?*
- 7. How are we demonstrating to our Pacific neighbours that we do not in fact consider the challenge of climate change a laughing matter?*

Answer

1. An update to CSIRO's climate projections for the Pacific can be found at: <http://www.pacificclimatechangescience.org/publications/reports/climate-variability-extremes-and-change-in-the-western-tropical-pacific-2014/>
2. Discussions focussed on many issues.
3. Departmental officers monitor Question Time.
4. DFAT does not provide commentary.
5. No.
6. DFAT represents and conveys Australia's position on climate change through its diplomatic missions, participation in regional and international meetings and public diplomacy activities.
7. Australia has a long record of supporting practical programmes in the Pacific to address the impacts of climate change and build resilience.

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Question No 254

Program: DFAT

Topic: PNG Advisers

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

1. In July 2015 Papua New Guinea Prime Minister Peter O'Neill announced a ban on all foreign advisers working for his government to take effect on 1 January 2016. On 6 January it was reported that DFAT confirmed 15 adviser positions in the departments of finance, transport, treasury and justice ended on December 31. DFAT has also noted another 18 Australian public servants remained in their advisory positions and a few new liaison officer roles were being established to maintain relationships between PNG and Australian Government departments.

a. What is DFAT doing to secure these positions in PNG?

b. What if anything is DFAT doing to reverse this decision by the PNG Government?

Answer

1a) DFAT is in discussion with PNG Government officials on how to maintain the institutional links between Australian and PNG agencies following the withdrawal of the Australian Government advisers from PNG's central agencies.

1b) Ultimately it is a decision for the PNG Government as to who it employs in its public service. DFAT is in discussion with PNG Government officials on ways to maintain the institutional links between Australian and PNG agencies.

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Question No 255

Program: DFAT

Topic: Qon 40

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Can the Department please provide an updated version of the table provided in response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #40?

Answer

Please see updated table.

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Deployees by Department (As at 17 March 2016)					
	Papua New Guinea	Indonesia	Solomon Islands	Timor- Leste	Fiji
HOME AGENCY	Number of deployees in country	Number of deployees in country	Number of deployees in country	Number of deployees in country	Number of deployees in country
Attorney- General's Department	6	0	0	0	0
AUSTRAC	0	2	0	0	0
Australian Bureau of Statistics	0	0	0	1	0
Australian National Audit Office	2	1	0	0	0
Australian Office of Financial Management	1	0	1	0	0
Australian Taxation Office	1	1	0	0	0
Australian Transport Safety Bureau	1	0	0	0	0
Department of Environment	1	0	0	0	1
Department of Infrastructure	2	0	0	0	0
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	6	0	0	0	0

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Department of Finance	0	1	1	0	0
Treasury	5	3	3	0	0
TOTAL	25	8	5	1	1
TOTAL WoG	40				

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Question No 256

Program: DFAT

Topic: Indigenous Peoples Strategy

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

On 10 August 2015 DFAT launched the Australian Indigenous Peoples Strategy, promising to encourage greater Indigenous Australian participation in shaping Australia's aid program, foster an inclusive workplace culture, and advance the interests of indigenous peoples in Australia and around the world.

- A. Since that announcement, how many Indigenous Australians have DFAT hired under this program?***
- B. One of the Four Pillars of this Program involved DFAT encouraging Indigenous Australians to apply for DFAT-funded opportunities to engage in and develop people-to-people links with the international community. How many Indigenous Australians has DFAT funded to develop people-to-people links with the international community since the program's launch?***
- C. How has DFAT promoted economic opportunities for Indigenous peoples since the program launch?***
- D. One of the program's key indicators was to facilitate opportunities for DFAT staff to volunteer on paid time in Indigenous Australian communities. How many DFAT staff have undertaken this form of paid volunteer work?***

Answer

- A.** Approximately two per cent of DFAT staff identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples. The department is presently updating its Indigenous Recruitment and Career Development Strategy (IRCDS), in line with the Commonwealth Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment Strategy, which was launched in November 2015. The IRCDS will continue to inform DFAT's efforts to increase workforce representation of Indigenous Australians, a commitment also reflected in the Indigenous Peoples Strategy. Since August 2015, DFAT has hired one additional employee who has identified to the department as an Indigenous Australian.
- B. *Global Public Diplomacy***
As part of their 2015-2016 public diplomacy programs, 41 posts have proposed a total of 64 activities aimed at promoting Indigenous Australian culture to an international audience.

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- Of these, 27 posts have proposed a total of 32 activities that involve funding Indigenous Australian individuals or groups to travel overseas and develop people-to-people links with the international community.

In addition, to date in 2015-16, DFAT has managed 20 public diplomacy projects from Canberra leading to Indigenous Australians forging links with the international community.

Public Diplomacy in the Pacific

Since the launch of the DFAT Indigenous Peoples Strategy in August 2015, DFAT has funded seven Indigenous Australians to develop people-to-people links with the Pacific community.

People-to-people links in Vanuatu

The Australian High Commission in Vanuatu hired an Australian Indigenous hip hop artist to perform a one-week training exercise with different groups from various sectors and different communities.

People-to-people links in Papua New Guinea (PNG)

In August 2015, PNG Post hosted an Australian Indigenous designer to run a workshop (in partnership with Stella magazine) for Papua New Guinean designers to discuss and showcase their collections. This also provided opportunities for the Australian designer to develop linkages with other professionals in the fashion industry in PNG.

DFAT funded the participation of four Indigenous community leaders in bilateral meetings that took place in Port Moresby in October 2015 on the topic of the Torres Strait Treaty.

An Indigenous Australian participated as an alumni representative in the December 2015 Australia-Papua New Guinea Emerging Leaders' Dialogue.

New Colombo Plan

In the first three years (2014-2016) of the New Colombo Plan, DFAT has funded at least 34 Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander undergraduates to study and undertake internships in the Indo-Pacific region. Not all universities have submitted student data for their mobility grants, so this figure may be higher.

DFAT has also disseminated information to Australian universities to further increase Indigenous participation in the program.

The International Relations Grants Program (IRGP)

DFAT provided partial funding through the Australia-India-Council for a tour of India by an Indigenous women's cricket team. All fourteen cricket players were Indigenous women.

- C. DFAT has, under development, a suite of activities to increase economic opportunities for Indigenous Australians and Indigenous peoples more broadly. Based on consultation with Indigenous leaders and relevant Commonwealth agencies, DFAT is focussing on improving access by Indigenous businesses to global supply chains, access to grant funding for business capacity building and to ensure Indigenous businesses are export ready.

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DFAT has also actively pursued the implementation of the Commonwealth Indigenous Procurement Policy including awarding a notable contract valued at \$9.2million to the Fields Group, an Indigenous NSW central coast security firm. At the time of execution, it was the largest single Indigenous procurement agreement.

As part of the broader plans to increase economic opportunities for Indigenous peoples, the following actions have already been taken since the launch of the Strategy:

- DFAT has promoted economic opportunities to the national and state-based Indigenous Chambers of Commerce. This included:
 - encouraging applications by Indigenous business leaders to participate in overseas business delegations led by ministers including the Trade Minister, Prime Minister and others as opportunities have arisen;
 - encouraging Indigenous Australians to apply for funding through the International Relations Grants Program (IRGP). The IRGP supports professional, community and institutional linkages between Australia and partners (refer to <http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/foundations-councils-institutes/pages/foundations-councils-and-institutes.aspx>)
- DFAT is working closely with the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council to actively advance the economic interests of Indigenous peoples in international fora, including in the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the APEC Business Advisory Council;
- DFAT extended targeted invitations to Indigenous business representatives to attend its regular free trade briefing with industry in December 2016;
- A DFAT officer delivered a keynote address at the 2015 World Indigenous Business Forum held in Hawaii;
- DFAT has promoted economic opportunities for Indigenous Australians in the Pacific by:
 - supporting the Chair of the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council to visit Solomon Islands in order to create linkages between the Australian Indigenous Chamber of Commerce (AICC) and the Solomon Islands Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SICCI).
 - The visit helped promote business ties, international knowledge sharing and collaboration between the AICC and the SICCI. The visit also highlighted the role Australian Indigenous businesses

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can play in advancing DFAT's economic diplomacy agenda overseas.

- contracting eNPC, an established indigenous company of the Waanyi people of Northern Queensland, to undertake trial work in PNG in the cocoa sector in 2015.
 - eNPC acts as an intermediary between large corporations and Indigenous communities and employs 80% Indigenous workers.
 - eNPC facilitated the commercialisation of the cocoa farmers operations so that they could attract an increasing share of the revenue derived from the cocoa industry. The strategy employed by eNPC integrated commercial principles of farming practices to bring about improvements in quality and productivity as well as to increase farmers' participation in the overall supply chain. While maintaining a cooperative effort to maximise economies of scale, the 'cooperative' society is to be transformed to a 'corporate' based organisation by establishing business principles, commercial agreements and key performance indicators.
 - Through shared histories and kinship, traditional landowners, commodity boards, the East New Britain Provincial Government and the Department of Agriculture and Livestock Secretary have seen the value that an Indigenous Australian company can provide to their communities. The Government of PNG has requested ongoing work with eNPC and DFAT is exploring funding models to support this.
 - Participation in the Third Economic Development Summit for the Torres Strait held on Thursday Island on 1-2 October 2015.
 - The summit contributed to the development of the Torres Strait Regional Economic Investment Strategy, a framework for facilitating commercially viable business opportunities in the region for indigenous enterprises.
- D. Since August 2015, DFAT has deployed two staff to undertake paid volunteer work in Indigenous Australian communities. This brings the total number of staff deployed to work in Indigenous Australian communities to 12.

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Question No 257

Program: DFAT

Topic: Zika virus

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. *What safeguards has the Government put in place to detect travellers returning to or visiting Australia from Pacific regions known to be affected by the Zika virus?***
- 2. *The US President is seeking \$AU2.5 billion to combat the Zika virus through mosquito control programs, vaccine research and ongoing mosquito control programs.***
 - a. *Does the Government have plans to assist the development of similar strategies to help fight the virus in the Pacific?***
 - b. *Have the Government made contact with the US Government to garner information about possible mitigation and prevention methods for use in the Pacific region?***
- 3. *The Government has pledged up to \$500,000 to help combat the Zika virus in Tonga and the Pacific.***
 - a. *When will the Government decide on a final dollar figure?***
 - b. *How will the Government decide on a final dollar figure?***
 - c. *How will the money be spent in the Pacific to fight the virus?***
- 4. *The Minister has said "Stopping the spread of Zika in the Pacific is essential to protecting Australia from the virus, which has seen a resurgence in our region."***
 - a. *Has DFAT done any modelling on the possible spread of Zika into Australia from the Pacific?***
- 5. *What resources will the Government commit to fighting the virus in other Pacific Island nations that have experienced an increase in Zika virus, including Cook Islands, French Polynesia, Fiji, New Caledonia, Samoa and Vanuatu?***
- 6. *American Samoa has experienced 25 suspected cases of the Zika virus which have gone confirmed due to laboratory complications.***
 - a. *Have the Government requested further information from the Government of American Samoa and the US Government***

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regarding the prevalence and control of the Zika virus on the Island?

b. Will the Government consider assisting American Samoa gain access to the necessary testing facilities and resources?

7. Will Australia accept lab specimens from Pacific nations to test for Zika virus?

Answer

1. This question should be directed to the Department of Health.

2a. The World Health Organization (WHO) has released a Global Strategic Response Framework and Joint Operations Plan to guide the international response to the current cluster of congenital malformations (microcephaly) and other neurological complications (Guillain-Barre Syndrome) that could be linked to Zika virus infection. The response plan encompasses an action plan for the Pacific.

2b. Australia and the US participate in donor and member state meetings on the WHO Global Response Action Plan on Zika, which guides the international response and includes mitigation and prevention methods in the Pacific.

3. On 7 February 2016, the Australian Government announced a contribution of up to \$500,000 for the World Health Organization Zika Virus Action Plan for the Pacific. A \$500,000 contribution to WHO was finalised on 8 March. These funds will be used to support WHO activities, including:

- dissemination of technical guidance and public health messages to Pacific countries;
- provision of necessary commodities, such as insecticide; and
- providing technical and operational support in response to Zika outbreaks.

The initial focus of the WHO Action Plan has been in Tonga, Samoa and American Samoa.

4. No.

5. As outlined in the answer to question 3, Australia has contributed \$500,000 to the WHO Zika Virus Action Plan for the Pacific that covers all Pacific Island nations.

This targeted funding builds on continuing Australian support for countries in the Pacific to build strong health systems capable of detecting and responding to emerging health threats, including diseases such as Zika. This work is delivered through funding for the World Health Organization (\$12.4 million core funding 2015-16) and The Pacific Community (SPC - \$2 million annually) which includes work to strengthen regional disease surveillance and response in the Pacific.

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Australia also works directly with Pacific Island countries to support programs which address mosquito-borne diseases, including malaria and dengue, as these efforts can contribute to reducing the risk of Zika virus transmission. For example:

- as part of the Zika response, our aid program in Tonga provided a vehicle and equipment to support mosquito control efforts, and through Tonga Red Cross, made available up to 4,000 treated mosquito bed nets for vulnerable women and children;
- the Government of Samoa requested 1,000 mosquito nets from Australia. These are likely to be despatched by 8 April;
- in Solomon Islands, we support the National Vector Borne Disease Control Program (\$1 million 2015-16). Funding supports a variety of mosquito control measures, including bed nets and spraying; and
- in Vanuatu, Australia has been a leading donor on anti-malaria activities since 2007, including \$1 million in 2014-15.

6a. As at 29 March, American Samoa's Department of Health reported that there are 14 confirmed cases of Zika virus, including six in pregnant women, and over 400 suspected cases. We are aware that WHO is assisting American Samoa with its Zika response as part of the WHO Zika Virus Action Plan for the Pacific.

6b. The WHO Zika Virus Action Plan has prioritised support for American Samoa, alongside Samoa and Tonga.

7. This question should be directed to the Department of Health.

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Question No 258

Program: DFAT

Topic: Ambassador for Women and Girls

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Referencing Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #109

- **Can the Department please provide an updated table of Natasha Stott Despoja's travel and international engagement from October 2015 to present?**

Answer

Below is an updated version of the table which provides a summary of the Ambassador for Women and Girls' international travel, the purpose of each visit and the outcomes.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Nature and purpose</i>	<i>Outcomes</i>
2016			
March	New York and Washington	60th session of the Commission on the Status of Women + bilateral visit to Washington	Promoted Australia's negotiating priorities and helped secure strong language in the CSW Agreed Conclusions on Australia's key priorities. Showcased Australia's domestic and international work to advance gender equality through participation as a speaker in 10 events and 12 bilateral meetings.
February	Papua New Guinea	Bilateral visit	Promoted stronger bilateral cooperation on women's leadership, economic empowerment and addressing family and sexual violence. Launched two new gender equality programs in Bougainville on women's political participation and young women's leadership. Launched an online tool for businesses to evaluate the cost of violence on business. Positive and extensive local and Australian media coverage.

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2015			
November	Malta	Inaugural Commonwealth Women's Forum during CHOGM	Delivered keynote presentation to the Commonwealth Women's Forum, showcasing Australia's work domestically and internationally to promote gender equality. Conducted bilateral meetings with the Commonwealth Secretariat and the Commonwealth Youth Gender and Equality Network to advance cooperation across Commonwealth organisations on women's empowerment. Presented on Australia's work to address domestic, family and sexual violence at a University of Malta program co-hosted by Australia, Malta and the US to mark International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.
November	Solomon Islands	Bilateral visit to chair Pacific Women Shaping Pacific Development Advisory Board meeting	Chaired the first Pacific Women Shaping Pacific Development Advisory Board meeting to be held outside Australia. Advanced Australia's bilateral cooperation with Solomon Islands to end violence against women, including through the launch of two aid projects.
October	Bhutan and India	Bilateral visit to mark International Day of the Girl Child (11 October)	Advanced bilateral cooperation with Bhutan on violence against women and announced funding for a national outreach campaign to address gender based violence. Keynote addresses to International Day of the Girl Child events in Bhutan and India. Launched new gender equality program in India. Extensive positive media coverage.

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Question No 259

Program: DFAT

Topic: United Nations Climate Change Conference 2015 (Paris, France – December)

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- A. *How many Government Ministers attended the conference?***
- B. *How many Ministerial staffers?***
- C. *How many Departmental officials?***
- D. *How many hotel room nights in total?***
- E. *What was the most expensive category of room booked and what was the rate?***

Answer

- A. Three Government Ministers attended the Paris Climate Conference:
 - the Prime Minister attended the Conference opening on 30 November
 - the Foreign Minister led Australia's delegation, attending from 6 to 12 December
 - the Environment Minister attended from 30 November to 6 December.
- B. 10 Ministerial staffers attended the conference.
- C. Australia's official delegation included 33 officers from Australian Commonwealth Departments.
- D.
 - 20 rooms were booked at the Golden Tulip (27 to 28 November).
 - 49 rooms were booked at the Relais Spa, Le Bourget (29 November to 13 December).
 - 4 rooms were booked at the Pullman Hotel (4 to 6 December).
 - 5 rooms were booked at the Relais Spa (6 to 12 December).
- E. Rooms at 350EUR/night.

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Question No 260

Program: DFAT

Topic: AIIB

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. *On what date did China first invite Australia to be a founding member of the AIIB?***
- 2. *How did the invitation arrive?***
- 3. *Who did it come to?***
- 4. *On what date did Australia first respond to or acknowledge the invitation?***
- 5. *On what date did Australia agree formally with China to be a founding member of the bank?***

Answer

Questions about the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank should be referred to Treasury.

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Question No 261

Program: DFAT

Topic: QoN 116

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Referring to the response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #116:

- 1. Can the Department provide this information (numbers of award recipients and total costs) broken down year by year from 2007 to present?***
- 2. Can the Department provide a breakdown year by year of Australian Award recipients' countries of origin from 2007 to present?***

1.

DFAT administered Australia Awards numbers and costs:

Year	Award count	Total costs (\$m)
2007-2008	2,090	134.3
2008-2009	2,253	148.2
2009-2010	2,333	173.5
2010-2011	3,747	236.7
2011-2012	4,177	284.9
2012-2013	4,791	303.6
2013-2014	4,471	362.5
2014-2015	4,295	371.2
Grand total	28,157	2014.9

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2.

DFAT administered Australia Awards by country and region:

Region	Country	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015*
East Asia	CAMBODIA	43	50	78	151	103	107	95	79
	CHINA	161	145	110	266	181	0	0	0
	INDONESIA	399	448	400	638	633	850	928	866
	LAOS	61	63	86	96	64	66	87	56
	MALAYSIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
	MONGOLIA	47	55	41	80	77	82	79	70
	MYANMAR	0	0	0	15	48	129	117	136
	PHILIPPINES	132	111	128	169	191	182	184	217
	SOUTH KOREA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
	THAILAND	22	14	17	22	10	4	1	0
	TIMOR-LESTE	31	41	38	75	65	44	45	70
	VIET NAM	339	236	332	384	390	454	396	327
	TOTAL	1235	1163	1230	1896	1762	1918	1932	1840
South Asia	AFGHANISTAN	2	22	21	31	44	1	1	0
	BANGLADESH	74	60	64	141	98	116	130	99
	BHUTAN	36	30	35	60	49	73	93	101
	INDIA	34	20	55	28	51	28	3	19
	MALDIVES	37	29	19	41	45	45	62	35
	NEPAL	19	23	52	48	59	85	47	92
	PAKISTAN	29	95	68	61	93	114	156	65
	SRI LANKA	26	24	72	59	81	91	65	107
	TOTAL	257	303	386	469	520	553	557	518
Papua New Guinea	PAPUA NEW GUINEA	157	170	152	321	231	657	616	708
	TOTAL	157	170	152	321	231	657	616	708
Pacific Island Countries	COOK ISLANDS	2	6	1	5	2	6	2	12
	FIJI	53	70	53	67	90	73	93	82
	FRENCH POLYNESIA	2	4	3	3	4	5	4	5
	KIRIBATI	64	56	23	36	41	41	34	49
	MARSHALL ISLANDS	6	6	6	5	15	5	9	11
	MICRONESIA	14	21	13	15	18	13	10	16
	NAURU	11	16	11	16	13	7	15	22
	NEW CALEDONIA	2	8	6	3	3	6	9	9
	NIUE	3	4	2	0	6	1	0	4
	PALAU	1	2	2	3	5	6	8	6
	SAMOA	43	43	52	53	54	51	50	50
	SOLOMON ISLANDS	49	54	54	75	78	96	69	107
	TOKELAU	3	1	0	0	2	0	2	0
	TONGA	29	31	50	45	37	69	69	65
	TUVALU	10	14	18	19	27	20	30	25
	VANUATU	59	64	52	73	74	83	48	64
WALLIS AND FUTUNA	1	0	2	1	0	3	2	3	
UNALLOCATED PACIFIC**	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
	TOTAL	352	400	348	419	469	485	455	530

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Region	Country	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015*
Sub-Saharan Africa	ANGOLA	0	0	0	2	5	3	2	0
	BENIN	0	0	0	0	9	5	5	0
	BOTSWANA	3	6	11	24	25	28	23	15
	BURKINA FASO	0	0	2	2	10	7	1	0
	BURUNDI	0	0	0	7	11	12	11	4
	CAMEROON	0	0	2	5	20	23	18	8
	CAPE VERDE	0	0	0	4	8	6	3	0
	CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0
	CHAD	0	0	0	0	5	1	1	0
	COMOROS	0	0	0	2	10	2	4	0
	CONGO (DRC)	0	0	0	0	5	6	1	7
	DJIBOUTI	0	0	0	1	8	3	0	0
	EQUATORIAL GUINEA	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
	ETHIOPIA	0	0	0	18	53	75	28	0
	GABON	0	0	0	3	1	1	2	0
	GAMBIA	0	0	8	7	14	19	3	2
	GHANA	0	0	12	23	88	40	43	28
	REPUBLIC OF GUINEA	0	0	0	0	7	2	1	0
	IVORY COAST	0	0	0	0	14	5	4	0
	KENYA	9	13	17	40	70	87	63	52
	LESOTHO	8	8	8	10	13	18	20	8
	LIBERIA	0	0	9	17	25	21	18	6
	MADAGASCAR	0	0	0	0	19	18	11	0
	MALAWI	7	7	11	20	53	61	26	12
	MALI	0	0	2	11	13	5	3	0
	MAURITANIA	0	0	0	0	3	3	1	1
	MAURITIUS	0	0	0	15	25	33	18	8
	MOZAMBIQUE	17	15	18	27	36	22	15	7
	NAMIBIA	2	2	5	12	13	15	1	5
	NIGER	0	0	0	3	7	8	7	0
	NIGERIA	0	0	12	29	49	54	62	22
	NORTH SUDAN (SUDAN)	0	0	0	0	8	21	13	0
	REPUBLIC OF CONGO (CONGO)	0	0	0	1	15	2	1	0
	RWANDA	1	1	4	22	20	18	14	9
	SAO TOME & PRINCIPE	0	0	0	1	8	3	3	0
	SENEGAL	0	0	0	4	7	6	0	0
	SEYCHELLES	0	0	0	11	17	13	10	5
	SIERRA LEONE	0	0	7	10	16	18	11	7
	SOMALIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SOUTH AFRICA	9	9	28	20	22	16	16	12
	SOUTH SUDAN	0	0	0	0	8	20	4	5
	SWAZILAND	0	2	2	11	17	16	14	9
	TANZANIA	11	11	15	32	75	111	91	32
	TOGO	0	0	0	6	22	8	3	0
	UGANDA	13	12	15	28	54	61	47	18
	ZAMBIA	8	9	14	28	57	48	27	16
	ZIMBABWE	0	0	0	0	6	28	24	0
UNALLOCATED AFRICA**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	280	
TOTAL		88	95	202	456	977	977	673	578
North Africa and the Middle East	ALGERIA	0	0	0	6	3	6	0	0
	EGYPT	0	0	0	0	27	13	20	0
	IRAQ	1	122	3	80	1	0	0	0
	MOROCCO	0	0	0	3	11	4	0	0
	PALESTINIAN TERRITORY, OCCUPIED	0	0	1	3	11	8	15	12
	TURKEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
	TUNISIA	0	0	0	0	8	6	0	0
TOTAL		1	122	4	92	61	37	35	17

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Region	Country	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015*
Caribbean	ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	0	0	0	1	0	6	2	1
	BARBADOS	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	BELIZE	0	0	0	2	4	6	5	1
	CUBA	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0
	DOMINICA	0	0	0	2	3	4	3	1
	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
	GRENADA	0	0	0	5	7	5	5	1
	GUYANA	0	0	0	8	5	9	8	3
	HAITI	0	0	0	1	3	5	3	0
	JAMAICA	0	0	0	2	6	7	9	1
	SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	0	0	0	1	4	3	3	3
	SAINT LUCIA	0	0	0	3	6	8	6	2
	SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	0	0	0	2	4	5	7	2
	SURINAME	0	0	0	0	2	3	4	3
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL	0	0	0	35	48	61	59	18	
Latin America	ARGENTINA	0	0	2	13	22	6	19	11
	BOLIVIA	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	0
	BRAZIL	0	0	1	4	5	1	3	15
	CHILE	0	0	0	10	11	7	3	6
	COLOMBIA	0	0	0	8	27	10	4	2
	COSTA RICA	0	0	0	0	3	11	15	0
	ECUADOR	0	0	0	2	2	16	2	11
	EL SALVADOR	0	0	0	3	2	2	12	0
	GUATEMALA	0	0	0	3	6	7	12	0
	HONDURAS	0	0	0	0	2	3	12	0
	MEXICO	0	0	8	12	13	6	11	10
	NICARAGUA	0	0	0	1	0	3	8	0
	PANAMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0
	PARAGUAY	0	0	0	1	2	11	6	12
	PERU	0	0	0	2	9	10	19	17
	URUGUAY	0	0	0	0	3	5	4	2
VENEZUELA	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	0	
TOTAL	0	0	11	59	109	103	144	86	
GRAND TOTALS		2090	2253	2333	3747	4177	4791	4471	4295

* = Australia Awards offered

** = These awards are not assigned per country as they are either part of regional allocations or predicted regional allocations of short-term awards. The actual country breakdowns are not known until all course enrolments are finished.

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Question No 262

Program: DFAT

Topic: New Colombo Plan

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Referring to the responses to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #20 and Budget Estimates QoN #58

- 1. With reference to previous responses to questions on notice (Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #20 and Budget Estimates QoN #58) – can the Department please clarify:***
 - a. In 2015, what is the correct number of NCP scholarship applications that were received – 224 or 225?***
 - b. In 2014, what is the correct number of Mobility Grants for which applications were received and which were funded?***
 - c. Why are the 2014 figures reported in Budget Estimates QoNs and Supplementary Budget Estimates QoNs dramatically different?***
 - d. Noting again the discrepancy between the two QoNs, in 2015, how many mobility grant applications were received - 312 or 615?***
- 2. What is the split of funding for each year between scholarships and mobility grants?***
- 3. What is the maximum possible value of a scholarship?***
- 4. What is the maximum possible value of a mobility grant?***
- 5. How many individual students are funded through each mobility project?***
- 6. What are the top ten largest grants?***
- 7. Can the department provide a table of every grant issued under the Colombo Plan, including the following information: the type of grant issued, amount issued, number of students funded through the grant if it was a mobility grant, country where student used the grant to study?***
- 8. Will the numbers of students and grants per year keep increasing?***
- 9. What is the target point for the grant/student numbers to level off at?***
- 10. An independent evaluation conducted by ACIL Allen Consulting into the New Colombo Plan was mentioned during estimates in October.***
 - a. Can the department provide a copy of the report from the evaluation?***
 - b. Are further evaluations planned?***

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11. Have there been any further requests from students seeking consular support since last estimates?

12. Have any complaints been made to the Commonwealth Ombudsman in relation to the New Colombo Plan?

Answer

1. a. In 2015, 224 applications were received by the due date. A late application was subsequently accepted, taking the total number of applications to 225.

1. b. In 2014, 142 mobility grant applications were received and 72 applications were funded - 24 in [Tranche 1](#) and 48 in [Tranche 2](#).

1. c. In 2014, universities were able to include multiple projects within a single application. The number of funded applications under the New Colombo Plan mobility program in 2014 was 72, as reported in Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN#20. The number of projects funded under the New Colombo Plan mobility program in 2014 was 156, as reported in Budget Estimates QoN#58.

1. d. In 2015, 312 mobility grant applications, covering 615 projects, were received. In 2015 universities were able to include multiple projects within a single application.

2. Funding for scholarships is allocated each year based on the number of proposed scholars. After forecasting expenditure for other program delivery costs, the remainder (and bulk) of the budget is then allocated to mobility grants. In the 2015-16 financial year, \$3,705,644 is allocated to scholarships and \$25,059,754 is allocated to mobility i.e. approximately a 15/85 split.

3. In the 2017 scholarship round, the maximum possible value of a scholarship will be \$75,000. This amount would be payable in the case of a fee-paying fellow undertaking a full year of study, plus a month of full-time language training, plus a six month internship.

4. In the 2017 mobility round, the maximum value of a mobility grant will be \$8,000. This would be payable to a student doing a full period of study plus undertaking an internship (up to 12 months duration).

5. The number of students per project varies, depending on universities' applications.

The indicative number of students funded through each mobility project in the 2016 round is available on the New Colombo Plan website at <http://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/new-colombo-plan/mobility-program/Pages/summary-of-new-colombo-plan-2016-mobility-projects.aspx>

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The numbers of students funded through each mobility project in the 2014 round is in the attached spreadsheet entitled 'Question on Notice #262, part 7'.

6.

	Round Year	Institution or Consortium	Country	Study Experience	Total Students	Total Funding Offered
1	2015	The Australian Consortium for 'in-country' Indonesian studies (ACICIS)	Indonesia	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term study	111	\$608,900
2	2016	ACICIS	Indonesia	1 Semester	56	\$308,000
3	2014	ACICIS	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term research, Short-term study	72	\$284,000
4	2016	ACICIS	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship, Practicum	43	\$283,800
5	2015	RMIT	China	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	30	\$264,000
6	2016	University of Tasmania	Indonesia	Short-term study	75	\$247,500
7	2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Practicum	34	\$246,400
8	2015	University of Tasmania	Indonesia	Short-term study	93	\$236,000
9	2016	Monash University	China	1 Semester	30	\$231,000
10	2014	University of Tasmania	Indonesia	Short-term research, Short-term study	31	\$212,500

7. Please see attachment entitled 'Question on Notice #262, part 7'. Student numbers for mobility projects are indicative only as they can be subject to variation by universities. Student numbers for mobility projects funded under the 2014 round are, where available, actual numbers of students who participated.

8. In general, the number of students and grants are expected to increase in line with the budget allocation for the program. In addition, the number of students able to receive grants each year under the mobility program will depend on the numbers of students doing semester-long study (more expensive to fund) compared with short-term study (less expensive to fund).

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9. The aim is to fund as many students as possible based on the type of applications received and the funding available. There are no target grant/student numbers.

10. a. ACIL Allen Consulting is undertaking an independent evaluation of the 2014 pilot phase of the New Colombo Plan. They are due to conclude their evaluation and report their findings in mid 2017.

10. b. Yes. A monitoring and evaluation framework for the New Colombo Plan is in place to help ensure that robust information from a variety of sources informs reporting and ongoing implementation of the program. Monitoring and evaluation activities include: surveys of New Colombo Plan students and alumni; analysis of feedback from Australian universities, host organisations and host government representatives; and periodic evaluations.

11. No

12. No

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Round Year	Institution	Country	Study Experience	Total Students	Total Funding Offered
2014	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term research, Short-term study	72	\$284,000
2014	University of Tasmania	Indonesia	Short-term research, Short-term study	31	\$212,500
2014	The University of Adelaide	Japan	Clinical Placement, Semester-based	53	\$197,000
2014	University of Technology Sydney	Japan	Semester-based, Short-term study	25	\$192,500
2014	The Australian National University	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	35	\$165,500
2014	Monash University	Indonesia	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term study	45	\$150,000
2014	University of South Australia	Japan	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term study	26	\$148,500
2014	The University of Sydney	Indonesia	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term research, Short-term study	59	\$128,700
2014	Griffith University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study, Volunteer	36	\$115,300
2014	Victoria University	Japan	1 Semester, Practicum, Short-term study	34	\$111,900
2014	University of Wollongong	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Practicum, Short-term study	29	\$105,000
2014	Southern Cross University	Indonesia	Short-term research, Short-term study	30	\$99,000
2014	The University of Adelaide	Indonesia	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Clinical Placement, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term study	38	\$90,000
2014	University of Western Sydney	Hong Kong	1 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	26	\$89,000
2014	University of Technology Sydney	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Short-term study	20	\$88,000
2014	RMIT	Indonesia	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term study, Volunteer	28	\$88,000
2014	La Trobe University	Japan	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	18	\$85,800
2014	University of Western Sydney	Singapore	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	25	\$82,500
2014	Charles Darwin University	Indonesia	Short-term study	34	\$79,200
2014	University of Tasmania	Japan	Internship / mentorship, Short-term research, Short-term study	24	\$78,000
2014	University of Canberra	Japan	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	21	\$77,000
2014	Flinders University	Singapore	Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term study	15	\$76,200
2014	Deakin University	Indonesia	Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	20	\$70,000
2014	James Cook University	Singapore	Clinical Placement	33	\$69,300
2014	University of New South Wales	Indonesia	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2014	The University of Melbourne	Indonesia	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term study, Volunteer	22	\$66,000
2014	Southern Cross University	Indonesia	Practicum, Short-term research	20	\$66,000
2014	Edith Cowan University	Indonesia	Clinical Placement	27	\$66,000
2014	The University of Sydney	Singapore	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2014	Monash University	Japan	Clinical Placement, Semester-based	10	\$65,000
2014	The University of Queensland	Hong Kong	1 Semester, Clinical Placement, Semester-based, Short-term study	25	\$64,900
2014	Charles Darwin University	Indonesia	Short-term study	14	\$60,000
2014	Queensland University of Technology	Indonesia	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term study	18	\$59,400

Round Year	Institution	Country	Study Experience	Total Students	Total Funding Offered
2014	Swinburne University of Technology	Hong Kong	1 Semester, Practicum, Short-term study	14	\$53,500
2014	Griffith University	Japan	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term study	19	\$52,800
2014	The University of Western Australia	Singapore	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Semester-based, Short-term study	17	\$52,000
2014	Australian National University	Japan	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term	15	\$49,500
2014	James Cook University	Singapore	Clinical Placement	13	\$48,000
2014	Swinburne University of Technology	Singapore	1 Semester, Clinical Placement, Practicum, Short-term study	12	\$46,860
2014	Australian Catholic University	Japan	1 Semester	6	\$46,200
2014	Federation University Australia	Japan	Short-term study	14	\$46,200
2014	The University of Melbourne	Japan	Semester-based	6	\$46,200
2014	University of Newcastle	Singapore	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	14	\$45,000
2014	University of Wollongong	Hong Kong	Short-term research	15	\$45,000
2014	La Trobe University	Singapore	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2014	Victoria University	Indonesia	Practicum	12	\$39,600
2014	Murdoch University	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester	5	\$38,500
2014	The University of Queensland	Japan	Semester-based	11	\$36,300
2014	The University of Western Australia	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Semester-based	0	\$35,300
2014	University of New England	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	8	\$35,000
2014	University of New England	Japan	Semester-based	2	\$35,000
2014	Curtin University of Technology	Singapore	1 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship	3	\$34,100
2014	Macquarie University	Indonesia	Short-term study	7	\$33,000
2014	University of Canberra	Singapore	Internship / mentorship	10	\$33,000
2014	Charles Sturt University	Hong Kong	Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Practicum	10	\$33,000
2014	Charles Sturt University	Indonesia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2014	The University of Western Australia	Singapore	Short-term study	17	\$33,000
2014	Queensland University of Technology	Indonesia	Short-term study	9	\$27,900
2014	Bond University	Singapore	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship	2	\$25,000
2014	Deakin University	Indonesia	Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2014	Curtin University of Technology	Indonesia	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	10	\$21,500
2014	University of Southern Queensland	Indonesia	Practicum	0	\$19,800
2014	University of the Sunshine Coast	Hong Kong	Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2014	Federation University Australia	Singapore	Short-term study	5	\$19,800
2014	Central Queensland University	Japan	1 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Volunteer	2	\$19,800
2014	Macquarie University	Hong Kong	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	7	\$18,150
2014	University of Newcastle	Singapore	Short-term study	7	\$18,000
2014	James Cook University	Hong Kong	Clinical Placement	5	\$16,500
2014	University of New South Wales	Japan	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based	3	\$15,000
2014	Charles Darwin University	Hong Kong	Practicum	3	\$13,200
2014	University of New England	Hong Kong	1 Semester	2	\$10,000
2014	University of South Australia	Japan	Internship / mentorship	2	\$6,600
2015	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term study	111	\$608,900
2015	RMIT	China	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	30	\$264,000
2015	University of Tasmania	Indonesia	Short-term study	93	\$236,000
2015	University of Western Sydney	India	Short-term study	55	\$181,500
2015	The University of Sydney	Indonesia	Clinical Placement, Semester-based, Short-term research, Short-term study	52	\$171,600

Round Year	Institution	Country	Study Experience	Total Students	Total Funding Offered
2015	The University of Sydney	China	Clinical Placement, Semester-based, Short-term study	45	\$148,500
2015	Southern Cross University	Indonesia	Short-term research	40	\$132,000
2015	Griffith University	China	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term research, Short-term study	40	\$132,000
2015	University of Technology Sydney	Thailand	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term	30	\$126,500
2015	University of Canberra	China	Short-term research, Short-term study	37	\$122,100
2015	Flinders University	Indonesia	Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	35	\$115,500
2015	University of Tasmania	China	1 Semester, Semester-based, Short-term	25	\$115,500
2015	Monash University	Indonesia	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	35	\$115,500
2015	University of New South Wales	Hong Kong	Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term	26	\$111,000
2015	University of Technology Sydney	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	50	\$110,000
2015	The Australian National University	Cambodia	Short-term study	36	\$105,630
2015	The University of Queensland	China	1 Semester, Semester-based, Short-term study	34	\$101,000
2015	Bond University	Solomon Islands	Practicum, Short-term study	100	\$100,000
2015	University of Canberra	Thailand	Short-term research, Short-term study	30	\$99,000
2015	Swinburne University of Technology	Malaysia	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	30	\$99,000
2015	Deakin University	China	1 Semester, Practicum, Short-term study	30	\$96,000
2015	Charles Darwin University	Indonesia	Short-term study	30	\$90,000
2015	RMIT	India	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Short-term study	10	\$88,000
2015	RMIT	Vietnam	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Semester-based, Short-term research	10	\$88,000
2015	Swinburne University of Technology	India	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	26	\$85,800
2015	University of Newcastle	Korea	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	16	\$85,800
2015	The University of Adelaide	Korea	1 Semester, Short-term study	30	\$82,500
2015	Southern Cross University	Vietnam	Internship / mentorship, Short-term research, Short-term study	25	\$82,500
2015	The University of Sydney	Japan	Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term	13	\$81,400
2015	La Trobe University	Singapore	1 Semester, Short-term study	22	\$81,400
2015	University of New South Wales	China	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$80,000
2015	Macquarie University	Fiji	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	20	\$77,000
2015	Queensland University of Technology	China	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	19	\$75,900
2015	The Australian National University	Japan	Semester-based, Short-term study	27	\$72,600
2015	Edith Cowan University	India	1 Semester, Short-term study	20	\$71,500
2015	La Trobe University	India	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	22	\$70,100
2015	Bond University	China	1 Semester, Short-term study	28	\$68,000
2015	Flinders University	Philippines	1 Semester	10	\$67,650
2015	Charles Sturt University	Samoa	Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2015	University of Western Sydney	Thailand	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2015	University of New South Wales	Indonesia	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term study	30	\$66,000
2015	Victoria University	India	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	20	\$66,000

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2015	The University of Western Australia	Indonesia	Short-term study	30	\$66,000
2015	The University of Western Australia	Cambodia	Practicum, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2015	Griffith University	Korea	Semester-based, Short-term research	14	\$66,000
2015	Griffith University	Laos	Clinical Placement	20	\$66,000
2015	University of Newcastle	Indonesia	Clinical Placement, Practicum	20	\$66,000
2015	University of Wollongong	Malaysia	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum	20	\$66,000
2015	University of Wollongong	India	Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2015	Monash University	Singapore	1 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2015	Monash University	India	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2015	Australian Catholic University	China	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	20	\$62,700
2015	University of South Australia	Korea	Short-term study	19	\$62,700
2015	University of South Australia	Singapore	Semester-based, Short-term study	8	\$61,600
2015	RMIT	Thailand	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term	7	\$61,600
2015	University of Wollongong	China	Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	20	\$60,500
2015	University of New England	Bhutan	Short-term study	20	\$60,000
2015	Victoria University	Timor-Leste	Practicum	20	\$59,400
2015	Queensland University of Technology	India	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	14	\$59,400
2015	Queensland University of Technology	Cambodia	Internship / mentorship	18	\$59,400
2015	Murdoch University	Thailand	Clinical Placement, Practicum	18	\$59,400
2015	Macquarie University	Philippines	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	18	\$59,400
2015	Monash University	Malaysia	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	18	\$59,400
2015	Central Queensland University	Nepal	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	20	\$55,000
2015	Victoria University	Malaysia	Practicum, Short-term study	20	\$55,000
2015	The University of Melbourne	China	Practicum, Short-term study	50	\$55,000
2015	The University of Sydney	Laos	Short-term study	20	\$55,000
2015	Victoria University	China	Short-term study	16	\$52,800
2015	Griffith University	Indonesia	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	16	\$52,800
2015	Macquarie University	Singapore	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship	12	\$50,600
2015	Deakin University	India	1 Semester, Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	University of Western Sydney	Vietnam	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	The University of Adelaide	Vietnam	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	The University of Adelaide	Thailand	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	The University of Adelaide	China	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	The University of Adelaide	Singapore	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	The University of Adelaide	India	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	Federation University Australia	China	Practicum, Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	University of Tasmania	Japan	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2015	The University of Queensland	Vietnam	Clinical Placement, Practicum, Short-term study	25	\$48,750
2015	The University of Queensland	Sri Lanka	Short-term study	16	\$47,520
2015	James Cook University	Singapore	Short-term research	20	\$47,080
2015	The University of Queensland	Indonesia	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	24	\$46,800
2015	University of South Australia	Japan	Clinical Placement, Semester-based, Short-term study	14	\$46,200
2015	James Cook University	Fiji	Clinical Placement	14	\$46,200
2015	Griffith University	Bangladesh	Short-term study	14	\$46,200
2015	Griffith University	Vietnam	Short-term study	14	\$46,200

Round Year	Institution	Country	Study Experience	Total Students	Total Funding Offered
2015	Flinders University	Singapore	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term research, Short-term study	12	\$46,200
2015	University of Wollongong	Thailand	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Practicum	14	\$46,200
2015	University of New South Wales	Singapore	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term study	6	\$45,000
2015	Deakin University	Vanuatu	Practicum	20	\$44,000
2015	Victoria University	Philippines	Short-term study	16	\$44,000
2015	University of Technology Sydney	Maldives	Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2015	The University of Western Australia	India	Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2015	The Australian National University	Myanmar	Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2015	The University of Queensland	India	Practicum, Short-term study	20	\$43,830
2015	University of New England	Cambodia	Short-term study	20	\$40,000
2015	Murdoch University	India	Practicum, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2015	James Cook University	Japan	Clinical Placement	12	\$39,600
2015	University of Wollongong	Indonesia	Practicum, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2015	Federation University Australia	Timor-Leste	Practicum, Short-term research	12	\$39,000
2015	University of Technology Sydney	Philippines	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Semester-based	5	\$38,500
2015	The University of Melbourne	Cook Islands	Short-term study	20	\$35,200
2015	University of Newcastle	India	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based	4	\$35,200
2015	Federation University Australia	Papua New Guinea	Practicum	12	\$34,320
2015	The Australian National University	Korea	Semester-based, Short-term study	8	\$34,100
2015	Deakin University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	Deakin University	Malaysia	Practicum	10	\$33,000
2015	Charles Sturt University	Japan	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of New South Wales	Kiribati	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of New South Wales	Palau	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of Newcastle	Samoa	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of Newcastle	China	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	Charles Sturt University	Malaysia	Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Practicum	10	\$33,000
2015	Charles Sturt University	Sri Lanka	Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	Victoria University	Solomon Islands	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	Queensland University of Technology	Vietnam	Clinical Placement	10	\$33,000
2015	Queensland University of Technology	Bhutan	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	Queensland University of Technology	Sri Lanka	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	Edith Cowan University	Sri Lanka	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of Canberra	Tonga	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of Canberra	Japan	1 Semester, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	Swinburne University of Technology	Vietnam	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	James Cook University	Vietnam	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	The University of Western Australia	Korea	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Short-term research	6	\$33,000
2015	Curtin University of Technology	China	Internship / mentorship	10	\$33,000
2015	Curtin University of Technology	India	Semester-based	5	\$33,000
2015	Southern Cross University	Cambodia	Internship / mentorship	10	\$33,000
2015	Griffith University	Singapore	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of South Australia	China	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of South Australia	Vietnam	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of Newcastle	Singapore	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term research	10	\$33,000

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2015	La Trobe University	Malaysia	Practicum	15	\$33,000
2015	Charles Darwin University	India	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2015	University of Tasmania	Malaysia	1 Semester, Semester-based	10	\$33,000
2015	Murdoch University	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Semester-based	4	\$31,900
2015	Charles Sturt University	India	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$31,500
2015	University of Wollongong	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester	4	\$30,800
2015	The Australian National University	Hong Kong	Semester-based, Short-term research	4	\$30,800
2015	The University of Western Australia	Singapore	Short-term research, Short-term study	20	\$30,000
2015	Charles Darwin University	China	Short-term study	10	\$30,000
2015	University of New England	Sri Lanka	Short-term study	10	\$30,000
2015	Australian Catholic University	Taiwan	Clinical Placement	10	\$29,700
2015	Victoria University	India	Practicum	12	\$29,040
2015	University of Western Sydney	Taiwan	1 Semester	5	\$27,500
2015	University of Tasmania	Nepal	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	10	\$27,500
2015	Murdoch University	Singapore	Practicum	8	\$26,400
2015	Flinders University	Brunei Darussalam	Practicum	8	\$26,400
2015	James Cook University	Taiwan	Clinical Placement	8	\$26,400
2015	La Trobe University	Taiwan	Short-term study	12	\$26,400
2015	Federation University Australia	Korea	Short-term study	8	\$26,400
2015	Macquarie University	China	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	6	\$26,400
2015	Curtin University of Technology	Vietnam	Practicum, Semester-based	7	\$23,100
2015	Edith Cowan University	China	1 Semester, Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2015	Edith Cowan University	Thailand	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2015	The University of Melbourne	Hong Kong	Short-term study	8	\$22,000
2015	La Trobe University	China	Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2015	The Australian National University	Vietnam	Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2015	Curtin University of Technology	Nepal	Clinical Placement	8	\$22,000
2015	University of the Sunshine Coast	Tonga	Short-term research, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2015	University of Newcastle	Cambodia	Short-term research, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2015	James Cook University	Laos	Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2015	Curtin University of Technology	Thailand	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2015	La Trobe University	Samoa	Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2015	Macquarie University	Bangladesh	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2015	University of the Sunshine Coast	Cambodia	Short-term research	8	\$17,600
2015	University of the Sunshine Coast	Hong Kong	Short-term research, Short-term study	6	\$16,500
2015	University of the Sunshine Coast	China	Short-term study	6	\$16,500
2015	University of Technology Sydney	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Semester-based, Short-term study	10	\$16,500
2015	The University of Melbourne	Singapore	Short-term study	10	\$16,500
2015	The University of Melbourne	Taiwan	Short-term study	10	\$16,500
2015	The Australian National University	China	Short-term study	5	\$16,500
2015	The Australian National University	Taiwan	Internship / mentorship, Semester-based	5	\$16,500
2015	University of Tasmania	India	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	6	\$16,500
2015	Macquarie University	Vanuatu	Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	5	\$16,500
2015	Monash University	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Clinical Placement, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	5	\$16,500
2015	Deakin University	Japan	1 Semester	5	\$15,000
2015	University of Wollongong	Samoa	Clinical Placement	6	\$13,200

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2015	Griffith University	Hong Kong	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship	4	\$13,200
2015	La Trobe University	Indonesia	Clinical Placement	4	\$13,200
2015	University of South Australia	Taiwan	Short-term study	4	\$13,200
2015	Macquarie University	Hong Kong	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	2	\$13,200
2015	Curtin University of Technology	Malaysia	Internship / mentorship, Practicum, Semester-based, Short-term study	6	\$13,200
2015	Curtin University of Technology	Hong Kong	Internship / mentorship	4	\$13,200
2015	Macquarie University	India	1 Semester, Internship / mentorship, Short-term study	2	\$13,200
2015	Macquarie University	Japan	1 Semester	2	\$13,200
2015	Edith Cowan University	Singapore	1 Semester, Short-term study	5	\$11,000
2015	The University of Melbourne	Thailand	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$11,000
2015	The University of Melbourne	Korea	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$11,000
2015	The University of Melbourne	Malaysia	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$11,000
2015	The University of Melbourne	Indonesia	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$11,000
2015	University of New England	Mongolia	1 Semester	2	\$10,000
2015	The University of Western Australia	China	Short-term research, Short-term study	4	\$8,800
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester	56	\$308,000
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship, Practicum	43	\$283,800
2016	University of Tasmania	Indonesia	Short-term study	75	\$247,500
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Practicum	34	\$246,400
2016	Monash University	China	1 Semester	30	\$231,000
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	Internship, Practicum	57	\$188,100
2016	RMIT	China	1 Semester	20	\$176,000
2016	Monash University	Japan	1 Semester	20	\$176,000
2016	University of Western Sydney	China	1 Semester, Clinical Placement	18	\$138,600
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship	22	\$133,100
2016	University of Wollongong	India	Internship	40	\$132,000
2016	University of New South Wales	Singapore	1 Semester, Internship	15	\$132,000
2016	RMIT	Bangladesh	Short-term study	40	\$132,000
2016	RMIT	Vietnam	1 Semester	15	\$132,000
2016	Bond University	Solomon Islands	Practicum, Research	36	\$118,800
2016	James Cook University	Sri Lanka	Clinical Placement	34	\$112,200
2016	Flinders University	Fiji	Internship, Short-term research, Short-term study	30	\$99,000
2016	University of New South Wales	Hong Kong	Internship, Practicum	30	\$99,000
2016	The University of Queensland	Nepal	Short-term study	30	\$99,000
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	Internship, Practicum	30	\$99,000
2016	RMIT	Cambodia	Short-term study	30	\$99,000
2016	Monash University	India	Internship, Short-term study	30	\$99,000
2016	University of the Sunshine Coast	Japan	1 Semester	12	\$92,400
2016	University of Wollongong	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester	10	\$88,000
2016	Deakin University	Malaysia	Internship	40	\$88,000
2016	Griffith University	Japan	1 Semester, Internship	10	\$88,000
2016	The University of Queensland	Hong Kong	2 Semester, Internship	10	\$88,000
2016	RMIT	Korea	1 Semester	10	\$88,000
2016	Flinders University	China	Short-term study	26	\$85,800
2016	University of Western Sydney	China	Practicum	28	\$84,000
2016	University of New South Wales	Thailand	Practicum	25	\$82,500
2016	Central Queensland University	India	Short-term study	25	\$82,500

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2016	The University of Melbourne	India	Internship, Short-term study	25	\$82,500
2016	Victoria University	India	Internship	25	\$82,500
2016	Macquarie University	India	Internship, Short-term study	25	\$82,500
2016	James Cook University	Singapore	Clinical Placement	25	\$82,500
2016	The University of Sydney	Samoa	Internship, Short-term study	25	\$82,500
2016	Griffith University	China	1 Semester, Internship	9	\$79,200
2016	Australian Catholic University	Cambodia	1 Semester	22	\$77,440
2016	Flinders University	China	1 Semester, Internship, Research	10	\$77,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Singapore	1 Semester	10	\$77,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Hong Kong	1 Semester	10	\$77,000
2016	University of New South Wales	Korea	1 Semester, 2 Semester	10	\$77,000
2016	RMIT	Indonesia	1 Semester	10	\$77,000
2016	RMIT	Indonesia	1 Semester	10	\$77,000
2016	La Trobe University	China	Short-term research	23	\$75,900
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	China	Short-term study	22	\$72,600
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	India	Short-term study	22	\$72,600
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	Malaysia	Practicum, Short-term study	22	\$72,600
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship, Practicum	10	\$71,500
2016	University of Newcastle	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	8	\$70,400
2016	University of Newcastle	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship	8	\$70,400
2016	University of Newcastle	Korea	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship	8	\$70,400
2016	Deakin University	Japan	1 Semester, Internship	10	\$70,000
2016	La Trobe University	Japan	1 Semester	9	\$69,300
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	Internship, Practicum	21	\$69,300
2016	RMIT	Singapore	Short-term study	21	\$69,300
2016	Flinders University	Philippines	1 Semester, Practicum	10	\$67,100
2016	University of Wollongong	Singapore	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	The Australian National University	Myanmar	Internship, Short-term research, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	University of Canberra	China	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Deakin University	Japan	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	University of Canberra	Tonga	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	University of Canberra	Vietnam	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Deakin University	China	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	The University of Sydney	India	Internship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Deakin University	Japan	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Deakin University	Malaysia	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	University of New South Wales	Indonesia	Clinical Placement, Internship, Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	30	\$66,000
2016	University of New South Wales	China	Internship, Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	30	\$66,000
2016	Victoria University	Malaysia	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Victoria University	Japan	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	Bangladesh	Practicum, Short-term research	20	\$66,000
2016	Australian Catholic University	Solomon Islands	Practicum	20	\$66,000
2016	University of South Australia	Taiwan	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	The University of Melbourne	Japan	Practicum, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Central Queensland University	Nepal	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Southern Cross University	Indonesia	Short-term research	20	\$66,000
2016	The University of Adelaide	Vietnam	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	The University of Adelaide	China	Short-term research	20	\$66,000

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2016	Southern Cross University	Singapore	Short-term research	20	\$66,000
2016	Southern Cross University	Cambodia	Short-term research	20	\$66,000
2016	University of Western Sydney	India	Internship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	India	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Griffith University	Nepal	Practicum, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Monash University	India	Internship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	China	Clinical Placement, Internship	20	\$66,000
2016	RMIT	China	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Monash University	Indonesia	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Monash University	Indonesia	Internship	20	\$66,000
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Murdoch University	Indonesia	1 Semester	10	\$66,000
2016	James Cook University	Malaysia	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	The University of Queensland	Taiwan	1 Semester	12	\$66,000
2016	University of Western Sydney	India	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	RMIT	China	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	University of Tasmania	Japan	Internship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	Monash University	Bangladesh	Internship, Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	RMIT	Taiwan	Short-term study	20	\$66,000
2016	James Cook University	Papua New Guinea	Clinical Placement	19	\$62,700
2016	University of South Australia	Laos	Short-term study	20	\$60,000
2016	University of New England	Bhutan	Short-term study	20	\$60,000
2016	Victoria University	China	Short-term study	20	\$59,400
2016	Australian Catholic University	Timor-Leste	Clinical Placement, Practicum, Short-term	18	\$59,400
2016	Central Queensland University	Nepal	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	20	\$55,000
2016	Central Queensland University	Singapore	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	20	\$55,000
2016	Griffith University	Korea	1 Semester, Internship	10	\$55,000
2016	Griffith University	China	1 Semester, Internship	10	\$55,000
2016	The University of Queensland	India	Practicum	20	\$55,000
2016	The University of Western Australia	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	10	\$55,000
2016	The University of Western Australia	China	1 Semester, 2 Semester	10	\$55,000
2016	The University of Western Australia	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester	10	\$55,000
2016	The University of Western Australia	Singapore	1 Semester, 2 Semester	10	\$55,000
2016	The University of Western Australia	Korea	1 Semester, 2 Semester	10	\$55,000
2016	James Cook University	Samoa	1 Semester, Internship	10	\$55,000
2016	University of Western Sydney	China	Short-term study	25	\$55,000
2016	Griffith University	Singapore	1 Semester, Internship	10	\$55,000
2016	The University of Melbourne	China	Short-term study	25	\$55,000
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Hong Kong	1 Semester	7	\$53,900
2016	The Australian National University	Myanmar	Internship, Short-term study	16	\$52,800
2016	Victoria University	China	Short-term study	16	\$52,800
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Taiwan	Short-term study	16	\$52,800
2016	La Trobe University	Vietnam	Short-term study	16	\$52,800
2016	University of Newcastle	Japan	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Canberra	Japan	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Canberra	Japan	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Wollongong	Thailand	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of New South Wales	Cambodia	Internship, Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	Victoria University	Singapore	Short-term study	15	\$49,500

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2016	University of Wollongong	Indonesia	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	Victoria University	Singapore	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	Victoria University	Singapore	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	Flinders University	Indonesia	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of South Australia	Indonesia	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	Macquarie University	China	Internship, Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	The University of Adelaide	China	Internship, Practicum, Short-term research	15	\$49,500
2016	The University of Adelaide	Hong Kong	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Western Sydney	China	Clinical Placement	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Western Sydney	India	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	Macquarie University	Cambodia	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	The University of Queensland	Korea	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	Deakin University	Nepal	Practicum	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Tasmania	China	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	Macquarie University	Fiji	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	RMIT	China	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Tasmania	Japan	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Western Sydney	Vietnam	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	The University of Sydney	China	Short-term study	15	\$49,500
2016	University of Wollongong	Korea	1 Semester, 2 Semester	6	\$46,200
2016	Victoria University	Malaysia	Short-term study	15	\$46,200
2016	Flinders University	Singapore	1 Semester, Practicum	6	\$46,200
2016	Flinders University	Indonesia	Practicum, Short-term study	14	\$46,200
2016	University of New England	China	Short-term study	15	\$45,000
2016	University of Western Sydney	China	Short-term study	15	\$45,000
2016	Deakin University	Sri Lanka	Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2016	The University of Notre Dame	Philippines	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2016	The University of Notre Dame	Indonesia	Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	China	Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2016	Federation University Australia	China	Practicum	20	\$44,000
2016	The University of Adelaide	China	Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	Singapore	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2016	Deakin University	Taiwan	Short-term study	20	\$44,000
2016	RMIT	Indonesia	Internship	20	\$44,000
2016	RMIT	Thailand	1 Semester	5	\$44,000
2016	RMIT	Malaysia	1 Semester	5	\$44,000
2016	RMIT	Japan	1 Semester	5	\$44,000
2016	Monash University	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester	5	\$44,000
2016	Monash University	Korea	1 Semester, 2 Semester	5	\$44,000
2016	Monash University	Thailand	1 Semester, Internship	5	\$44,000
2016	Victoria University	Thailand	Practicum	15	\$41,250
2016	The University of Western Australia	Vietnam	Short-term study	15	\$41,250
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Korea	1 Semester, Internship	5	\$40,700
2016	University of New England	Cambodia	Short-term study	20	\$40,000
2016	University of Newcastle	Thailand	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	University of Newcastle	Fiji	Clinical Placement, Practicum, Short-term research	12	\$39,600
2016	University of Newcastle	Vietnam	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	Deakin University	Sri Lanka	Practicum	36	\$39,600
2016	Flinders University	India	Internship	12	\$39,600

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2016	Queensland University of Technology	Japan	Internship	12	\$39,600
2016	University of South Australia	Singapore	Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	Edith Cowan University	Sri Lanka	Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Malaysia	Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Hong Kong	Short-term research, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	The University of Queensland	Timor-Leste	Clinical Placement	12	\$39,600
2016	The University of Adelaide	China	Short-term research, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	The University of Melbourne	Indonesia	Internship, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	University of Tasmania	Sri Lanka	Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	University of Tasmania	Nepal	Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Fiji	Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	Griffith University	Japan	Internship, Short-term research, Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	China	1 Semester	6	\$39,600
2016	Griffith University	Vietnam	Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	The University of Sydney	India	Short-term study	12	\$39,600
2016	The University of Melbourne	Indonesia	Short-term study	16	\$38,720
2016	The University of Queensland	Malaysia	Short-term study	16	\$38,720
2016	Deakin University	Hong Kong	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	University of Wollongong	China	1 Semester, 2 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	University of Wollongong	China	1 Semester, 2 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	The Australian National University	Hong Kong	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Japan	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	The Australian National University	Japan	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	The University of Western Australia	Taiwan	1 Semester	7	\$38,500
2016	University of the Sunshine Coast	Korea	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Malaysia	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	University of Tasmania	China	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Thailand	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	RMIT	China	Internship	5	\$38,500
2016	The Australian National University	Korea	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Malaysia	1 Semester	5	\$38,500
2016	Charles Darwin University	Hong Kong	Short-term study	11	\$36,300
2016	Charles Darwin University	Philippines	Short-term study	11	\$36,300
2016	The University of Queensland	Vietnam	Short-term study	16	\$36,080
2016	University of New England	Japan	Short-term study	12	\$36,000
2016	Australian Catholic University	Timor-Leste	1 Semester	8	\$35,200
2016	The University of Sydney	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship	4	\$35,200
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester, Internship	4	\$35,200
2016	The University of Sydney	Thailand	1 Semester, Internship	4	\$35,200
2016	University of the Sunshine Coast	Cambodia	Practicum, Short-term research	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Newcastle	China	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Newcastle	Cambodia	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Newcastle	Cook Islands	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Newcastle	Vietnam	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	The Australian National University	Cambodia	Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Wollongong	China	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Wollongong	Korea	1 Semester, 2 Semester	5	\$33,000
2016	University of Newcastle	China	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Deakin University	India	Internship	15	\$33,000

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2016	Deakin University	Cambodia	Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	Deakin University	Sri Lanka	Practicum	10	\$33,000
2016	The Australian National University	Japan	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Canberra	Samoa	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Canberra	Japan	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Canberra	China	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The Australian National University	Japan	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	The Australian National University	Japan	Internship, Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Deakin University	Sri Lanka	Practicum	10	\$33,000
2016	Deakin University	Malaysia	Practicum	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Sydney	Indonesia	Internship, Short-term research, Short-term study	12	\$33,000
2016	The University of Sydney	China	Internship, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Sydney	Cambodia	Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Deakin University	Indonesia	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	Deakin University	Sri Lanka	Practicum	10	\$33,000
2016	Deakin University	Papua New Guinea	Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	University of New South Wales	India	Clinical Placement, Internship, Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	The University of Notre Dame Australia	Timor-Leste	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Murdoch University	Thailand	Clinical Placement	10	\$33,000
2016	Flinders University	Indonesia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Flinders University	Brunei Darussalam	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Flinders University	China	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of New South Wales	Singapore	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of New South Wales	Cambodia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of South Australia	Cook Islands	Practicum	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Western Australia	Indonesia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Charles Darwin University	India	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of South Australia	Indonesia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of South Australia	Philippines	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Notre Dame Australia	Cambodia	Internship, Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Myanmar	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	China	Short-term research, Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Bhutan	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	Australian Catholic University	Myanmar	Practicum	20	\$33,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	Japan	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Curtin University of Technology	India	Clinical Placement	10	\$33,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	China	Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	Indonesia	Clinical Placement, Practicum	15	\$33,000
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Malaysia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Flinders University	India	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Flinders University	Indonesia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Melbourne	Hong Kong	Short-term study	12	\$33,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	India	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	India	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	Cambodia	Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	Samoa	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000

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2016	Charles Sturt University	Bangladesh	Clinical Placement, Practicum	10	\$33,000
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Fiji	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Federation University Australia	Korea	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Indonesia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Thailand	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	China	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Adelaide	Nepal	Internship, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Australian Catholic University	China	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Western Sydney	Singapore	Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	Vietnam	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Western Sydney	Korea	Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Charles Darwin University	Indonesia	Practicum	10	\$33,000
2016	Griffith University	Hong Kong	1 Semester, Internship	6	\$33,000
2016	Griffith University	Japan	1 Semester, Internship	6	\$33,000
2016	James Cook University	Papua New Guinea	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	India	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Deakin University	Indonesia	Internship	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Tasmania	Korea	1 Semester	5	\$33,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Samoa	Practicum	15	\$33,000
2016	RMIT	China	Short-term study	12	\$33,000
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	Indonesia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Malaysia	Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	University of Tasmania	Japan	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Tasmania	Vanuatu	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Southern Cross University	Indonesia	Short-term research	10	\$33,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	Malaysia	Short-term research, Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	James Cook University	Cambodia	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	James Cook University	India	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	Fiji	Clinical Placement, Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	James Cook University	Thailand	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	James Cook University	Laos	Internship, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	Bond University	China	Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	The Australian National University	Korea	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	University of Tasmania	Malaysia	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The Australian National University	Korea	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Sydney	Vietnam	Internship, Short-term study	12	\$33,000
2016	Southern Cross University	China	Short-term research	10	\$33,000
2016	RMIT	Indonesia	Practicum	10	\$33,000
2016	The Australian National University	Singapore	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Sydney	Myanmar	Internship, Short-term study	12	\$33,000
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Japan	Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Sydney	Laos	Practicum, Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Sydney	Indonesia	Internship, Short-term study	12	\$33,000
2016	The University of Western Australia	Nepal	Clinical Placement	10	\$33,000
2016	The University of Sydney	India	Short-term study	15	\$33,000
2016	Flinders University	Singapore	1 Semester, Practicum	4	\$30,800
2016	La Trobe University	Taiwan	1 Semester	4	\$30,800
2016	La Trobe University	Singapore	1 Semester	4	\$30,800

Round Year	Institution	Country	Study Experience	Total Students	Total Funding Offered
2016	Griffith University	Japan	1 Semester, Internship, Practicum	4	\$30,800
2016	Griffith University	China	1 Semester, Practicum	4	\$30,800
2016	Macquarie University	Thailand	Research	4	\$30,800
2016	James Cook University	Solomon Islands	Practicum	10	\$30,800
2016	University of the Sunshine Coast	Fiji	Short-term research, Short-term study	9	\$29,700
2016	University of New England	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	4	\$28,000
2016	The University of Notre Dame Australia	Laos	Clinical Placement, Practicum	10	\$27,500
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Vietnam	Practicum	10	\$27,500
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Malaysia	Short-term study	10	\$27,500
2016	Central Queensland University	India	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	10	\$27,500
2016	James Cook University	Vanuatu	Short-term study	10	\$27,500
2016	Bond University	Singapore	1 Semester	5	\$27,500
2016	La Trobe University	Taiwan	Short-term study	10	\$27,500
2016	Flinders University	Singapore	1 Semester, Internship	3	\$26,400
2016	University of Wollongong	China	1 Semester, 2 Semester	4	\$26,400
2016	Victoria University	Vietnam	Short-term study	12	\$26,400
2016	Charles Darwin University	Indonesia	Short-term research	8	\$26,400
2016	Queensland University of Technology	China	Internship, Short-term study	12	\$26,400
2016	Flinders University	Nepal	Short-term study	8	\$26,400
2016	Charles Sturt University	Nepal	Clinical Placement, Practicum, Short-term study	8	\$26,400
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Myanmar	Clinical Placement	12	\$26,400
2016	Deakin University	Korea	1 Semester, Internship	3	\$26,400
2016	The Australian National University	Vietnam	Short-term study	24	\$26,400
2016	The Australian National University	China	Short-term study	12	\$26,400
2016	The University of Sydney	Japan	1 Semester, Internship	3	\$26,400
2016	Federation University Australia	China	Short-term study	10	\$25,000
2016	La Trobe University	India	Practicum	15	\$24,750
2016	Charles Darwin University	Indonesia	Short-term study	7	\$23,100
2016	University of New South Wales	Malaysia	1 Semester, 2 Semester	3	\$23,100
2016	University of Newcastle	Indonesia	Clinical Placement	8	\$22,000
2016	Deakin University	China	Practicum	10	\$22,000
2016	Australian Catholic University	Vanuatu	Clinical Placement, Practicum	10	\$22,000
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Vietnam	Clinical Placement	8	\$22,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	Cambodia	Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2016	Curtin University of Technology	India	Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2016	Curtin University of Technology	India	Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Taiwan	Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2016	Charles Sturt University	China	Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Singapore	1 Semester, 2 Semester	4	\$22,000
2016	Southern Cross University	India	Short-term research	10	\$22,000
2016	The University of Sydney	Cambodia	Short-term study	10	\$22,000
2016	Federation University Australia	Korea	1 Semester, 2 Semester	4	\$20,000
2016	University of New England	Hong Kong	1 Semester	4	\$20,000
2016	University of Newcastle	Singapore	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	University of South Australia	China	Clinical Placement	6	\$19,800
2016	University of the Sunshine Coast	Japan	Practicum, Short-term research	6	\$19,800
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Vietnam	Practicum	6	\$19,800
2016	Queensland University of Technology	China	Internship	6	\$19,800

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2016	Curtin University of Technology	Bangladesh	Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	Queensland University of Technology	China	Short-term research	6	\$19,800
2016	La Trobe University	Malaysia	Internship	6	\$19,800
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Singapore	Practicum	6	\$19,800
2016	Griffith University	India	Clinical Placement, Internship, Short-term research	6	\$19,800
2016	Macquarie University	Singapore	1 Semester, Internship	3	\$19,800
2016	Murdoch University	India	Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	Murdoch University	India	Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	The University of Sydney	Vietnam	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	Monash University	India	Internship, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	Monash University	Cambodia	Internship, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	Monash University	Nepal	Internship, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	James Cook University	Thailand	Clinical Placement	6	\$19,800
2016	James Cook University	Solomon Islands	Clinical Placement	6	\$19,800
2016	The University of Sydney	Solomon Islands	Internship, Short-term study	6	\$19,800
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Japan	Internship	12	\$19,800
2016	The University of Sydney	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$17,600
2016	Murdoch University	Hong Kong	1 Semester, Internship	2	\$17,600
2016	Griffith University	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship	2	\$17,600
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Indonesia	1 Semester, Internship	2	\$17,600
2016	The University of Sydney	Fiji	1 Semester, Internship, Research	2	\$17,600
2016	University of the Sunshine Coast	Vietnam	Short-term research	6	\$16,500
2016	Edith Cowan University	Singapore	Short-term study	5	\$16,500
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Indonesia	Clinical Placement, Short-term study	6	\$16,500
2016	La Trobe University	India	Internship	5	\$16,500
2016	University of Western Sydney	Nepal	Internship	5	\$16,500
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	Cambodia	Internship, Practicum	5	\$16,500
2016	Macquarie University	Bangladesh	Internship, Short-term study	5	\$16,500
2016	RMIT	Malaysia	Short-term study	5	\$16,500
2016	Deakin University	Indonesia	1 Semester	2	\$16,000
2016	Deakin University	Malaysia	1 Semester	2	\$16,000
2016	Deakin University	Thailand	1 Semester	2	\$15,400
2016	The Australian National University	Taiwan	1 Semester	2	\$15,400
2016	Deakin University	Korea	1 Semester	2	\$15,400
2016	University of Wollongong	Taiwan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$15,400
2016	Edith Cowan University	Hong Kong	1 Semester	2	\$15,400
2016	Edith Cowan University	Taiwan	1 Semester	2	\$15,400
2016	The University of Melbourne	Indonesia	Short-term study	8	\$15,400
2016	University of New South Wales	Taiwan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$15,400
2016	University of New South Wales	Vietnam	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$15,400
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Singapore	2 Semester, Internship	2	\$15,400
2016	Macquarie University	Thailand	1 Semester, Internship, Research	2	\$15,400
2016	University of Wollongong	China	Internship	5	\$15,000
2016	The University of Melbourne	Thailand	Practicum, Short-term study	10	\$14,300
2016	University of New England	China	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$14,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Japan	Short-term study	5	\$13,750
2016	Swinburne University of Technology	Timor-Leste	Practicum, Short-term study	5	\$13,750
2016	University of the Sunshine Coast	Fiji	Short-term research, Short-term study	4	\$13,200

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2016	Federation University Australia	Nepal	Practicum, Short-term research	4	\$13,200
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Cambodia	Practicum	4	\$13,200
2016	Macquarie University	Japan	1 Semester	2	\$13,200
2016	University of Western Sydney	Indonesia	Clinical Placement	4	\$13,200
2016	University of South Australia	China	Internship	4	\$13,200
2016	University of South Australia	Korea	Internship, Short-term study	4	\$13,200
2016	Charles Sturt University	Japan	1 Semester	2	\$13,200
2016	University of Tasmania	Indonesia	Clinical Placement	4	\$13,200
2016	University of Tasmania	Nepal	Clinical Placement	4	\$13,200
2016	The University of Notre Dame Australia	Indonesia	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$11,000
2016	The University of Notre Dame Australia	Taiwan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$11,000
2016	University of New South Wales	Samoa	Short-term research, Short-term study	10	\$11,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	India	Short-term study	5	\$11,000
2016	University of Western Sydney	India	1 Semester	2	\$11,000
2016	University of Technology Sydney	Thailand	Short-term study	5	\$11,000
2016	Macquarie University	India	Short-term study	5	\$11,000
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Hong Kong	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$11,000
2016	Queensland University of Technology	Malaysia	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$11,000
2016	Deakin University	Japan	Short-term study	10	\$10,000
2016	University of New England	Indonesia	1 Semester, 2 Semester	2	\$10,000
2016	University of Western Australia	Timor-Leste	Practicum	3	\$9,900
2016	University of Wollongong	India	1 Semester, 2 Semester	1	\$8,800
2016	University of Wollongong	Nepal	Clinical Placement	4	\$8,000
2016	University of Wollongong	India	Clinical Placement	4	\$8,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	Singapore	1 Semester	1	\$7,700
2016	Macquarie University	Singapore	1 Semester, Practicum	1	\$7,700
2016	Flinders University	Malaysia	Internship, Short-term research, Short-term study	2	\$6,600
2016	Flinders University	Singapore	Internship, Short-term research, Short-term study	2	\$6,600
2016	University of South Australia	India	Clinical Placement	2	\$6,600
2016	Macquarie University	Thailand	1 Semester, Internship	1	\$6,600
2016	Macquarie University	Vietnam	1 Semester, Internship	1	\$6,600
2016	The University of Notre Dame	Japan	1 Semester, 2 Semester	1	\$5,500
2016	Australian Catholic University	Taiwan	1 Semester	1	\$5,500
2016	Central Queensland University	Japan	1 Semester	1	\$5,000
2016	University of Wollongong	Papua New Guinea	Clinical Placement	2	\$4,000
2016	University of Wollongong	Vietnam	Clinical Placement	2	\$4,000
2016	University of Wollongong	Vanuatu	Clinical Placement	2	\$4,000
2016	University of Wollongong	Thailand	Clinical Placement	2	\$4,000
2016	University of Wollongong	Sri Lanka	Clinical Placement	2	\$4,000
2016	University of Wollongong	Malaysia	Clinical Placement	2	\$4,000
2016	University of Wollongong	Singapore	Clinical Placement	2	\$4,000
2016	Edith Cowan University	Vietnam	Short-term research	1	\$3,300
2016	Curtin University of Technology	China	Internship	1	\$3,300
2016	Curtin University of Technology	Singapore	Internship	1	\$3,300

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Question No 263

Program: DFAT

Topic: QoN 117

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Referring to the response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #117

1. Can the Department provide an updated list since August 2015 including the following parameters:

- a. Who participated in each activity?***
- b. What were the outcomes of each activity?***
- c. What were the costs associated with each activity/participant?***

Answer

Activity:

- 8TH ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL OF CONTEMPORARY ART (APT8) DELEGATES VISIT – Brisbane, 19-26 November 2015

Participation: Funding partially supported the attendance of the following First Nations delegates from Australia, New Zealand and Canada.

- Nici Cumpston, Art Gallery of South Australia
- Carly Lane – Art Gallery of Western Australia
- Keith Munro – Museum of Contemporary Art
- Michelle Lavalley – Associate Curator, MacKenzie Art Gallery, Regina, Saskatchewan
- Julie Nagam – Chair, History of Indigenous Arts of North America, Assistant Professor and Curator, University of Winnipeg
- France Trépanier – multidisciplinary artists, curator and researcher
- Daina Warren – Gallery Director Urban Shaman Contemporary Aboriginal Art Gallery
- Nigel Borell – Auckland Museum
- Karl Chitham – Tauranga Art Gallery
- Rueben Friend – Pataka Art + Museum
- Megan Tamati – Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa

Outcomes:

- Focused on the exchange of practice and ideas and building ongoing dialogue and collaboration between First Nations curators.

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- Provides direct cultural and economic benefits by providing a platform for commercial relationships between Australia and international art industry.

Cost:

- \$20,000 (ex GST)

Activity:

- ELECTRONIC MUSIC CONFERENCE (EMC) DELEGATES VISIT – Sydney, 1-2 December 2015

Participation:

- Denise Klein – Senior booking Agent, Plus Talent
- Douglas Brandalise – Senior booking Agent, DJ.Com
- Michel Palazzo – Director/Senior Booking Agent – Suicide Lemon
- Marcos Boffa – Programmer/Head of Talent Booking – Sonar Festival Sao Paulo/ Planeta Terra Festival/ Audio Club Brazil

Outcomes:

- The global electronic-music industry is now valued at approximately USD\$6.2 billion, and the Brazilian market is one of the leading emerging markets in this genre. The inclusion of key talent buyers from Brazil to attend EMC 2015, connected relevant and export ready Australian artists to suitable partners to grow commercial relationships.
- Provides direct cultural and economic benefits by providing a platform for commercial relationships between Australian artists and managers and international electronic music talent buyers from Brazil.

Cost:

- \$50,000 (ex GST)

Activity:

- AUSTRALIA PERFORMING ARTS MARKET (APAM) DELEGATES VISIT – Brisbane, 22-26 February 2016.

Participation:

- Christian Watty, Co-Director, Internationale Tanzmesse, Germany

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- Neils Gamm, Agent and Director, Dance and Attractions – Europe, IMG Artists, Germany
- Catherine Wang, Director of Marketing and Programming, Shanghai Dramatic Arts Centre, China
- Jun Liang, Director Resources Development Department, Shanghai Dramatic Arts Centre, China
- Runhui Wang, Program Manager, Shanghai Dramatic Arts Centre, China
- Ling Mao, Project Manager, Shanghai Dramatic Arts Centre, China
- Alex Wu, Deputy Director, Program Exchange Development, China Shanghai International Arts Festival, China

Outcomes:

- Australian performing artists, stakeholders and companies exchanged ideas, developed collaborations and networked at Australia's leading, internationally focused industry event for contemporary performing arts.
- Provides direct cultural and economic benefits by providing a platform for commercial relationships between Australia and the international performing arts industry.

Cost:

- \$33,315 (ex GST)

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Question No 264

Program: DFAT

Topic: QoN 114

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

In reference to the chart provided in answer to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #114:

- ***Have there been any changes or updates?***
- ***What are the projections over the forwards?***

Answer

Refer to the attached table.

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Institution	Existing contributions to end	Next replenishment date	Annual contributions since 2013 (FY unless otherwise indicated) 2012 - 2013	2013 - 2014	2014 - 2015	2015 - 2016
World Bank (International Development Association)	April 2025 (Multilateral Debt Relief Initiative)	December 2016 (IDA18)	206.9 million	218.0 million	211.7 million	222.5 million
Asian Development Bank (Asian Development Fund)	December 2021	May 2016 (ADF 12)	83.1 million	101.1 million	122.2 million	124.9 million
UNAIDS	The 2009-12 UNAIDS-DFAT Partnership Framework is still in effect as it includes a clause whereby it is automatically extended on an annual basis unless terminated by either party.	Annual voluntary core contributions to UNAIDS are typically made in the first half of each calendar year.	7.24 million (Calendar year 2013)	7.2 million (Calendar year 2014)	7.5 million (Calendar year 2015)	4.5 million (Calendar year 2016)
World Health Organisation (WHO)	The 2009-13 WHO-DFAT Partnership Framework is still in effect as it includes a clause whereby it is	Annual voluntary core contributions to WHO are typically made in the first half of each calendar	20 million (Calendar year 2013)	20 million (Calendar year 2014)	20.6 million (Calendar year 2015)	12.4 million (Calendar year 2016)

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	automatically extended on an annual basis unless terminated by either party.	year.				
UN Population Fund (UNFPA)	Extended by mutual consent to June 2016	Annual voluntary core contributions to UNFPA are typically made in the first half of each calendar year.	15 million <i>(Calendar year 2013)</i>	15 million <i>(Calendar year 2014)</i>	15.4 million <i>(Calendar year 2015)</i>	9.2 million <i>(Calendar year 2016)</i>
World Food Program	June 2019 (Australia-World Food Programme Strategic Partnership Framework 2015-2019)	Annual contributions to WFP are made in the second half of each calendar year.	36 million	36 million	40 million	37 million
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs	December 2015	Annual core funding to OCHA is typically made in the first half of each calendar year. Australia intends to make the 2015-16 payment in early 2016.	9 million	9 million	9.3 million	8.8 million
UN High Commissioner for	December 2016	Annual core funding to UNHCR	21 million	19 million	21 million	19.95 million

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Refugees		is typically paid in the first half of each calendar year. Australia intends to make the 2015-16 payment in early 2016.				
UN Development Program	June 2016	One payment per calendar year – Australia tends to pay in September	20.66 million	20.66 million	21.2 million	12.7 million
UNICEF	June 2016	One payment per calendar year – Australia tends to pay in September	34.1 million	34.1 million	34.4 million	21 million
Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance	December 2020	TBC (awaiting advice from Gavi)	47.5 million	52.5 million	50 million	50 million
Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria	December 2016	Mid 2016 TBC (awaiting advice from the Global Fund)	59.8 million	100 million	105 million	50.5 million
International Monetary Fund (IMF)*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

*IMF not included as question targets core funding only – DFAT provides a small amount of non-core funding for technical assistance through the IMF (\$4.9 million in 2013 – 2014 and \$250,000 in 2014 – 2015).

Note that this table reflects voluntary core funding, and does not cover earmarked funding, or funding provided by other Australian Government departments.

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Institution	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
World Bank (International Development Association)	222.5 million	220.1 million	Subject to replenishment negotiations	Subject to replenishment negotiations
Asian Development Bank (Asian Development Fund)	124.9 million	157.1 million	Subject to replenishment negotiations	Subject to replenishment negotiations
UNAIDS	4.5 million <i>(Calendar year 2016)</i>	Subject to annual budget allocations	Subject to annual budget allocations	Subject to annual budget allocations
World Health Organisation (WHO)	12.4 million <i>(Calendar year 2016)</i>	Subject to annual budget allocations	Subject to annual budget allocations	Subject to annual budget allocations
UN Population Fund (UNFPA)	9.2 million <i>(Calendar year 2016)</i>	Subject to annual budget allocations	Subject to annual budget allocations	Subject to annual budget allocations
World Food Program	37 million	37 million (subject to annual budget allocations)	38 million (subject to annual budget allocations)	38 million (subject to annual budget allocations)
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs	8.8 million	A new partnership framework will be drafted which will specify payments for 2016-17 and out years, subject to	subject to annual budget allocations	subject to annual budget allocations

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		annual budget allocations		
UN High Commissioner for Refugees	19.95 million	A new partnership framework will be drafted which will specify payments for 2016-17 and out years, subject to annual budget allocations	subject to annual budget allocations	subject to annual budget allocations
UN Development Program	12.7 million	A new partnership framework is being drafted which will specify payments for 2016-17 and out years	A new partnership framework is being drafted which will specify payments for 2016-17 and out years.	A new partnership framework is being drafted which will specify payments for 2016-17 and out years.
UNICEF	21 million	A new partnership framework is being drafted which will specify payments for 2016-17 and out years.	A new partnership framework is being drafted which will specify payments for 2016-17 and out years.	A new partnership framework is being drafted which will specify payments for 2016-17 and out years.
Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance	50 million	subject to annual budget allocations	subject to annual budget allocations	subject to annual budget allocations
Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria	50.5 million	44.5 million – Additional financing will be subject to replenishment negotiations in mid-2016	Financing will be subject to replenishment negotiations in mid-2016	Financing will be subject to replenishment negotiations in mid-2016
International Monetary Fund (IMF)*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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*IMF not included as question targets core funding only – DFAT provides a small amount of non-core funding for technical assistance through the IMF

Note that this table reflects voluntary core funding, and does not cover earmarked funding, or funding provided by other Australian Government departments.

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Question No 265

Program: DFAT

Topic: Humanitarian Budget

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

1. *The Humanitarian, Emergencies and Refugees budget for 2015-16 is \$328.94 million.*
 - a. *Can the Department provide an update on how much of that fund has been committed or contracted for the current financial year?*
 - b. *How much of it remains unallocated?*
2. *Can the Department provide a list of all humanitarian crises on which this budget has been used in 2015-16 so far?*
3. *What is the Humanitarian, Emergencies and Refugees budget across the forward estimates?*

Answer

1a. The Department has committed or contracted \$275.3 million as at 23 March 2016 and has allocated \$29.04 million.

1b. \$24.6 million remains unallocated in the emergency fund as at 23 March 2016. This is reserved for emergencies and agreed with the Foreign Minister on a case by case basis.

2.

Humanitarian Crises
• Syria, Syria regional response and Iraq – protracted crisis
• Somalia and South Sudan - protracted crisis
• Africa (DRC, Niger, Nigeria Regional, Malawi, Uganda and Zimbabwe) – protracted crises
• Fiji – TC Winston
• Africa Ethiopia – protracted crisis
• Myanmar – flooding and protracted crisis

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DRPK – protracted crisis
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PNG and the Pacific – El Nino
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Philippines – Typhoon Koppu and Melor

3. The Humanitarian, Emergencies and Refugees budget is an element of Australia's ODA budget. The allocation of the ODA budget will be determined through the annual budget process. The allocation for 2016-17 will be announced on Budget Night i.e. 3 May 2016.

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Question No 266

Program: DFAT

Topic: Security Clearances

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. *Can the Department please provide an update on the ongoing process of providing former AusAID staff with security clearance?***
- 2. *How many staff members so far have been cleared?***
- 3. *What is the size of the remaining queue?***
- 4. *What is the rate at which that queue is clearing and at that rate by what date or month does the Department expect to be finished?***
- 5. *What is the average cost of the security clearance per staff member?***
- 6. *At what point in time did the 2015 graduate intake all have security clearances?***
- 7. *At that point in time, how many former AusAID staff were still waiting for their clearances?***
- 8. *By what date will the 2016 graduate intake group all have security clearances?***
- 9. *At that point in time, how many AusAID staff will still be waiting for clearances?***

Answer

1. This is a continuing priority and one that is nearing finalisation.
2. As at 23 March, we had cleared 486 former AusAID staff to the NV2 level.
3. As at 24 March, there were 304 NV2 upgrades to be completed out of a total of 790 upgrades. Most of these are at various stages in the clearance process.
4. We are dedicating all available processing resources to complete the final batch of upgrades as soon as possible.
5. The cost of an initial NVL2 is \$1,720.
6. The 2015 graduate intake commenced in February 2015. Three clearances were outstanding at the commencement date and these graduates were engaged on non-ongoing contracts. Following the subsequent granting of

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their clearances, all three were able to commence in permanent positions in March 2015.

7. In February 2015, there were 575 former AusAID staff awaiting upgrades.
8. The 2016 graduate intake commenced in February 2016. Four graduate clearances remain outstanding as at 23 March 2016.
9. In February 2016, there were 310 former AusAID staff awaiting upgrades.

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Question No 267

Program: DFAT

Topic: JLL

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

On 3 December it was reported that JLL will manage \$100 million of DFAT property over five years.

- 1. Has JLL managed any properties for DFAT previously?*
- 2. Can the Department provide a list of the 1000 properties, their sizes and the countries they are located in which will be managed by JLL?*
- 3. Who was previously managing these 1000 properties for DFAT?*
- 4. Will the shift to JLL mean a change in any of the services provided or the nature of those services? Please explain.*

Answer

1. No. JLL has not managed any properties for DFAT previously. However, some posts overseas have previously engaged JLL for lease management services on an ad hoc basis.
2. The attached spreadsheet (Attachment A) lists the size and location of properties to be managed by JLL from 1 July 2016.
3. The incumbent property management service provider (which is contracted until 30 June 2016) is Cushman & Wakefield formerly known as DTZ.
4. The services offered by JLL will mirror the facility management and other services currently delivered by Cushman & Wakefield. JLL will also provide some additional services to leased chanceries.

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Property_ID	Property Name	Property Type	Ownership	NLA (m2)	Country
20335600	Kabul Chancery	Chancery	Leased	377.20	Afghanistan
20338800	Kabul Chancery Annex	Chancery Annex	Leased	600.00	Afghanistan
20335700	Kabul HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	100.00	Afghanistan
20337800	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	600.00	Afghanistan
20338000	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	600.00	Afghanistan
20362400	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	600.00	Afghanistan
20364600	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	600.00	Afghanistan
20364700	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	600.00	Afghanistan
20382100	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	400.00	Afghanistan
20440200	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Afghanistan
20440300	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Afghanistan
20440400	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Afghanistan
20440500	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Afghanistan
20463100	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Afghanistan
20463200	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Afghanistan
20481000	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	1000.00	Afghanistan
20481500	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	500.00	Afghanistan
20341900	Kabul Staff Residence	Staff Residential Compound	Leased	2000.00	Afghanistan
10437900	Buenos Aires Chancery	Chancery	Owned	1044.50	Argentina
10403000	Buenos Aires HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	812.00	Argentina
20379500	Buenos Aires Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	160.00	Argentina
20347100	Buenos Aires Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Argentina
20208400	Vienna Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1874.62	Austria
10440000	Vienna HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	400.00	Austria
20302700	Vienna Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	223.00	Austria
20334900	Vienna Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	233.00	Austria
20354500	Vienna Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	199.00	Austria
20377400	Vienna Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	157.00	Austria
20383500	Vienna Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	157.00	Austria
20482500	Vienna Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	237.00	Austria
20334700	Vienna Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	167.00	Austria
20454100	Vienna Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	208.00	Austria
10400300	Dhaka Chancery	Chancery	Owned	1392.30	Bangladesh
10431300	Dhaka HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	467.00	Bangladesh
10431500	Dhaka Old Recreation Facility	Recreation Facility	Owned	327.00	Bangladesh
10431600	Dhaka Recreational Facility	Recreation Facility	Owned	327.00	Bangladesh
20435100	Dhaka Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	390.13	Bangladesh
20481100	Dhaka Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	154.00	Bangladesh
20481200	Dhaka Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	119.00	Bangladesh
20446200	Dhaka Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	128.00	Bangladesh
10431400	Dhaka Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	268.00	Bangladesh
10431700	Dhaka Staff Residence #1	Staff Residence	Owned	268.00	Bangladesh
10431700	Dhaka Staff Residence #2	Staff Residence	Owned	268.00	Bangladesh
20358200	Brussels Chancery	Chancery	Leased	2370.20	Belgium
20182800	Brussels HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	815.00	Belgium
20014300	Brussels Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	186.00	Belgium
20358800	Brussels Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	130.00	Belgium
20362700	Brussels Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	275.00	Belgium
20371300	Brussels Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Belgium
20376600	Brussels Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Belgium
20440600	Brussels Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	350.00	Belgium
20480600	Brussels Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	145.00	Belgium
20480700	Brussels Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	108.00	Belgium
10400700	Brasilia Chancery	Chancery	Owned	858.10	Brazil
10431900	Brasilia HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	704.00	Brazil
20445900	Brasilia Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	195.00	Brazil
20463400	Brasilia Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	170.00	Brazil
20471800	Brasilia Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	195.00	Brazil
20269700	Brunei Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	574.80	Brunei

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20338700	Brunei Consul-General Res	HOM Residence	Leased	650.00	Brunei
20234900	Brunei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Brunei
20309900	Brunei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Brunei
10434900	Phnom Penh Chancery	Chancery	Owned	2251.00	Cambodia
20343400	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Clinic	Leased	148.63	Cambodia
10411200	Phnom Penh HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	610.00	Cambodia
20471900	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.00	Cambodia
20332000	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	171.82	Cambodia
20332200	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	255.63	Cambodia
20336000	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	101.83	Cambodia
20351000	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	241.07	Cambodia
20400800	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	148.63	Cambodia
20413300	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	171.82	Cambodia
20434200	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	127.42	Cambodia
20440000	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	199.69	Cambodia
20455800	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	171.82	Cambodia
20468300	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	101.83	Cambodia
20468800	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	187.00	Cambodia
20469600	Phnom Penh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	172.00	Cambodia
20308400	Ottawa Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1325.50	Canada
10402600	Ottawa HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1204.00	Canada
20448400	Ottawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	371.61	Canada
20471200	Ottawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Canada
20471300	Ottawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Canada
20471400	Ottawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Canada
20471500	Ottawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	102.19	Canada
20471600	Ottawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	102.19	Canada
10437100	Toronto Austrade Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	245.60	Canada
20331400	Santiago Chancery	Chancery	Leased	928.60	Chile
10408500	Santiago HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	678.20	Chile
20358400	Santiago Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	140.00	Chile
20474800	Santiago Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Chile
20474900	Santiago Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Chile
10432200	Beijing Chancery	Chancery	Owned	4122.95	China
20384000	Chengdu Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	905.30	China
20358700	Guangzhou Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	2413.00	China
20267600	Hong Kong Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	2459.60	China
20148800	Shanghai Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	1041.20	China
20374200	Taipei Chancery	Chancery	Leased	2271.35	China
10432300	Beijing HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	845.46	China
20440700	Chengdu Consul-General Res	HOM Residence	Leased	445.00	China
20307800	Guangzhou Consul-General Res	HOM Residence	Leased	495.00	China
10404000	Hong Kong Consul-General Res	HOM Residence	Owned	589.63	China
20289500	Shanghai Consul-General Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	300.00	China
20453000	Taipei HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	413.80	China
20472000	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	107.00	China
20382700	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	107.00	China
20445100	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	229.00	China
20451300	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	181.00	China
20456200	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	129.00	China
20456300	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	181.00	China
20464400	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	129.00	China
20464700	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	143.00	China
20464800	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	107.00	China
20470300	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	143.00	China
20471700	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	107.00	China
20472100	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	107.00	China
20474300	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	143.00	China

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20475500	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	129.00	China
20370400	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	107.00	China
20458600	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	107.00	China
20482000	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	143.00	China
20379000	Beijing Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	105.00	China
20440800	Chengdu Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	298.00	China
20440900	Chengdu Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	144.00	China
20320600	Guangzhou Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	198.00	China
20457500	Guangzhou Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	China
20465700	Guangzhou Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	China
20473100	Guangzhou Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	China
20483100	Guangzhou Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	165.00	China
20388500	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	280.00	China
20448700	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	141.00	China
20450100	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	164.00	China
20348500	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	198.00	China
20374000	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	203.00	China
20375800	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	153.00	China
20448600	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	109.00	China
20472900	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	71.00	China
20354900	Hong Kong Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	96.00	China
20460300	Shanghai Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	147.00	China
20460400	Shanghai Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	145.00	China
20469300	Shanghai Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	186.00	China
20378200	Taipei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	175.77	China
20378800	Taipei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	175.77	China
20445000	Taipei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	177.98	China
20458800	Taipei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	198.56	China
20464000	Taipei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	181.59	China
20353500	Taipei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	203.59	China
20483500	Taipei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	209.62	China
10412300	Beijing Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	7188.18	China
10414500	Shanghai Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	2454.00	China
20283600	Zagreb Chancery	Chancery	Leased	738.30	Croatia
20210800	Zagreb HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	287.60	Croatia
20361000	Zagreb Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	153.00	Croatia
20320400	Nicosia Chancery	Chancery	Leased	446.40	Cyprus
20227800	Nicosia Chancery Annex	Chancery Annex	Leased	180.00	Cyprus
20172200	Nicosia HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	360.00	Cyprus
20373600	Nicosia Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	146.00	Cyprus
20185500	Copenhagen Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1353.40	Denmark
20326300	Copenhagen HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	600.00	Denmark
20345000	Copenhagen Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	164.00	Denmark
20387600	Copenhagen Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	272.00	Denmark
20378900	Cairo Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1285.10	Egypt
10403300	Cairo HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1315.00	Egypt
20278700	Cairo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Egypt
20324200	Cairo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	280.00	Egypt
20443900	Cairo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	307.00	Egypt
20473700	Cairo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Egypt
20473800	Cairo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	350.00	Egypt
20357700	Addis Ababa Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1095.10	Ethiopia
20355700	Addis Ababa HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	490.00	Ethiopia
20359000	Addis Ababa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	152.00	Ethiopia
20371900	Addis Ababa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	138.00	Ethiopia
20380700	Addis Ababa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	146.00	Ethiopia
20463800	Addis Ababa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	100.00	Ethiopia

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10438600	Suva Chancery	Chancery	Owned	2518.20	Fiji
10433400	Suva HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	632.00	Fiji
20317800	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Fiji
20350700	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	452.67	Fiji
20371800	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	487.72	Fiji
20402200	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Fiji
20402300	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	216.00	Fiji
20410500	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	221.90	Fiji
20427300	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Fiji
20436600	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	240.00	Fiji
20274400	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	340.00	Fiji
20467300	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	240.00	Fiji
10409000	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	269.00	Fiji
10409100	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	269.00	Fiji
10409200	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	149.32	Fiji
10437000	Suva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	338.80	Fiji
10433500	Suva Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	1439.24	Fiji
20447000	Noumea Chancery	Chancery	Leased	617.70	France
10439500	Paris Chancery	Chancery	Owned	11395.81	France
10407200	Noumea HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	463.00	France
10433700	Paris HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	890.00	France
10433600	Paris OECD HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	439.50	France
20474600	Noumea Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	121.00	France
20380000	Noumea Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	120.00	France
10415400	Noumea Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	145.40	France
20357100	Paris Temporary HOM Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	320.00	France
10433800	Paris Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	4998.10	France
10415500	Berlin Chancery	Chancery	Owned	3411.40	Germany
10414700	Berlin HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	750.00	Germany
20313700	Berlin Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	152.08	Germany
20478300	Berlin Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	192.00	Germany
10432000	Berlin Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	1297.40	Germany
20262300	Accra Chancery	Chancery	Leased	547.90	Ghana
20297400	Accra HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	300.00	Ghana
20264600	Accra Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Ghana
20434600	Accra Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Ghana
20411600	Accra Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Ghana
20342000	Athens Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1560.50	Greece
20273000	Athens HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	1385.91	Greece
20300700	Athens Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Greece
20346200	Athens Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Greece
20463900	Athens Warehouse	Warehouse	Leased	120.00	Greece
20341300	Chennai Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	929.20	India
20345600	Mumbai Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	1025.80	India
10437400	New Delhi Chancery	Chancery	Owned	4143.90	India
10439700	New Delhi Chancery Annex	Chancery Annex	Owned	896.10	India
20453400	Chennai Consul-General Res	HOM Residence	Leased	550.00	India
20385900	Mumbai Consul-General Res	HOM Residence	Leased	376.00	India
10433200	New Delhi HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	590.86	India
20453200	Chennai Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	350.00	India
20472800	Chennai Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	350.00	India
20353000	Mumbai Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	234.00	India
20386000	Mumbai Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	246.00	India
20345900	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	202.00	India
20359400	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	128.00	India
20359500	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	128.00	India

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20371500	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	131.00	India
20384300	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	255.00	India
20455700	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	280.00	India
20371600	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	India
20434700	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	178.00	India
20483600	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	277.00	India
20462000	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	277.00	India
20364300	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	457.00	India
20343100	New Delhi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	219.00	India
10433300	New Delhi Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	4786.00	India
20366700	Chennai Warehouse	Warehouse	Leased	533.00	India
10411300	Jakarta Chancery/Annexe	Chancery	Owned	6995.50	Indonesia
20474700	Makassar Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	635.02	Indonesia
20219400	Jakarta Clinic	Clinic	Leased	200.00	Indonesia
10405300	Jakarta HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1625.00	Indonesia
10435200	Jakarta New Chancery	New Chancery	Owned	15585.20	Indonesia
10406100	Jakarta Recreation Facility	Recreation Facility	Owned	160.00	Indonesia
20271300	Jakarta Recreation Facility	Recreation Facility	Leased	200.00	Indonesia
20379200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	868.00	Indonesia
20242000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	210.00	Indonesia
20259700	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	686.00	Indonesia
20268800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	539.00	Indonesia
20271200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	572.00	Indonesia
20288400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	680.00	Indonesia
20312000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	400.00	Indonesia
20340300	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	723.00	Indonesia
20336300	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	171.00	Indonesia
20342400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	153.00	Indonesia
20343700	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	156.00	Indonesia
20359700	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	156.00	Indonesia
20360000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	156.00	Indonesia
20350000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	1540.00	Indonesia
20350100	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	186.00	Indonesia
20352800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	745.00	Indonesia
20354200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	418.00	Indonesia
20354300	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	233.00	Indonesia
20363400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Indonesia
20363600	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	158.00	Indonesia
20374300	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	147.00	Indonesia
20376400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	147.00	Indonesia
20376500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	151.00	Indonesia
20377700	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	207.00	Indonesia
20377800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	225.25	Indonesia
20377900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	225.25	Indonesia
20378000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	151.00	Indonesia
20378100	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	156.00	Indonesia
20379100	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	500.00	Indonesia
20380600	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	156.00	Indonesia
20380800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	718.00	Indonesia
20380900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	235.00	Indonesia
20381000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Indonesia
20384500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	327.00	Indonesia
20384600	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	423.00	Indonesia
20403000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.00	Indonesia
20403500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	209.00	Indonesia
20409600	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	346.00	Indonesia
20412500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	204.82	Indonesia

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20412600	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	360.00	Indonesia
20416000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	327.00	Indonesia
20416200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Indonesia
20419400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	158.00	Indonesia
20425000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Indonesia
20429400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	142.00	Indonesia
20430700	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	403.90	Indonesia
20434000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	270.00	Indonesia
20437500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	153.20	Indonesia
20437800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Indonesia
20438800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	161.84	Indonesia
20438900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.20	Indonesia
20439500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	304.00	Indonesia
20445800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	157.00	Indonesia
20452000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	270.00	Indonesia
20452200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	153.00	Indonesia
20459000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	104.00	Indonesia
20459100	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	419.00	Indonesia
20459200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	135.00	Indonesia
20459300	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	157.00	Indonesia
20459400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Indonesia
20461900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	212.50	Indonesia
20356900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	324.00	Indonesia
20367100	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.60	Indonesia
20427200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	202.30	Indonesia
20430500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	148.00	Indonesia
20430800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	202.30	Indonesia
20435900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	207.00	Indonesia
20466300	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Indonesia
20466400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	432.00	Indonesia
20466600	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	432.00	Indonesia
20311600	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Indonesia
20326500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	233.00	Indonesia
20434100	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	212.00	Indonesia
20337000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	171.00	Indonesia
20367000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	156.00	Indonesia
20427400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Indonesia
20429900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	239.00	Indonesia
20466900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	336.00	Indonesia
20469500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Indonesia
20363500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	167.00	Indonesia
20287800	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	325.00	Indonesia
20427500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	202.30	Indonesia
20466500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	207.00	Indonesia
20365200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Indonesia
20323600	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	159.00	Indonesia
20363000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	1200.00	Indonesia
20470000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	120.00	Indonesia
20365100	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Indonesia
20384700	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	188.00	Indonesia
20473900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Indonesia
20436500	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	170.00	Indonesia
20359900	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	156.00	Indonesia
20467200	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	188.00	Indonesia
20412400	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	596.00	Indonesia
20430000	Jakarta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	169.60	Indonesia
10440800	Jakarta Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	7540.00	Indonesia

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10435100	Bali Consulate-General	Chancery	Owned	797.20	Indonesia
20346600	Bali HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	360.00	Indonesia
20270100	Bali Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	320.00	Indonesia
20346000	Bali Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Indonesia
20346700	Bali Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	340.00	Indonesia
20360900	Bali Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	340.00	Indonesia
20364100	Bali Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	320.00	Indonesia
20372300	Bali Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Indonesia
20374400	Bali Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	340.00	Indonesia
20211600	Tehran Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1599.50	Iran
20163900	Tehran HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	544.00	Iran
20383800	Tehran Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	231.00	Iran
20377600	Tehran Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	192.00	Iran
20462100	Tehran Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	240.00	Iran
20472500	Tehran Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Iran
20378700	Tehran Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Iran
20276800	Baghdad Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1114.70	Iraq
20258800	Dublin Chancery	Chancery	Leased	450.00	Ireland
10404600	Dublin HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	978.00	Ireland
20300300	Dublin Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Ireland
20465800	Dublin Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	130.00	Ireland
20383700	Ramallah Chancery	Chancery	Leased	190.40	Israel
20307900	Tel Aviv Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1281.40	Israel
20465600	Ramallah HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	240.00	Israel
10409700	Tel Aviv HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	593.00	Israel
20454600	Ramallah Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Israel
20305600	Tel Aviv Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Israel
20337400	Tel Aviv Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	100.00	Israel
20444000	Tel Aviv Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	237.00	Israel
20373500	Tel Aviv Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	160.00	Israel
20328800	Rome Chancery	Chancery	Leased	873.30	Italy
10408400	Rome HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1430.00	Italy
20180700	Rome Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Italy
20323800	Rome Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Italy
20388600	Rome Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Italy
20430400	Rome Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	160.00	Italy
20250000	Rome Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Italy
10439200	Tokyo Chancery	Chancery	Owned	4433.80	Japan
10433900	Tokyo HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	918.44	Japan
10435900	Kobe Austrade Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	377.00	Japan
10412500	Tokyo Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	6334.10	Japan
10434800	Amman Chancery	Chancery	Owned	2092.90	Jordan
20340400	Amman HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	800.00	Jordan
20336700	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	272.00	Jordan
20376700	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	417.00	Jordan
20377200	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	855.00	Jordan
20383100	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	479.00	Jordan
20456800	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	227.00	Jordan
20456900	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	208.00	Jordan
20457100	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Jordan
20468900	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	210.00	Jordan
20469900	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Jordan
20474100	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Jordan
20457200	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	247.00	Jordan
20474200	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	192.00	Jordan
20475400	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	95.00	Jordan
20365800	Amman Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	292.00	Jordan

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20339200	Nairobi Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1230.30	Kenya
10406900	Nairobi HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	541.20	Kenya
10437600	Nairobi Land	Land	Owned	11740.00	Kenya
20374500	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	340.00	Kenya
20374600	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	340.00	Kenya
20457900	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	290.00	Kenya
20350300	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	320.00	Kenya
20458000	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	260.00	Kenya
20482300	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	240.00	Kenya
20482400	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	158.69	Kenya
10407000	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	416.30	Kenya
10407100	Nairobi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	335.70	Kenya
10402100	Tarawa Chancery	Chancery	Owned	248.30	Kiribati
10409400	Tarawa HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	534.32	Kiribati
20438300	Tarawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Kiribati
20475000	Tarawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Kiribati
10409500	Tarawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	264.63	Kiribati
10409600	Tarawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	184.91	Kiribati
10430200	Tarawa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	421.00	Kiribati
20323300	Seoul Chancery	Chancery	Leased	2829.10	Korea
10408700	Seoul HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	427.80	Korea
20373200	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	268.94	Korea
20375100	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	461.00	Korea
20378300	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	178.32	Korea
20446000	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	142.03	Korea
20448900	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	142.23	Korea
20449000	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Korea
20450400	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	149.00	Korea
20450500	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Korea
20453800	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	196.30	Korea
20458900	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	166.60	Korea
20470700	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	142.00	Korea
10436500	Seoul Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	472.09	Korea
20273500	Kuwait City Chancery	Chancery	Leased	657.30	Kuwait
20273400	Kuwait City HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	1100.00	Kuwait
20346500	Kuwait Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Kuwait
10437500	Vientiane Chancery	Chancery	Owned	1486.50	Laos
20443300	Vientiane HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	402.50	Laos
10402200	Vientiane Old Chancery	Old Chancery	Owned	623.90	Laos
10410600	Vientiane Recreational Facility	Recreation Facility	Owned	623.90	Laos
20298600	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Laos
20346100	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	249.00	Laos
20413400	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	153.00	Laos
20436200	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	120.00	Laos
20465500	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	140.00	Laos
20483400	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	130.00	Laos
10410300	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	275.00	Laos
10410400	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	176.00	Laos
10410500	Vientiane Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	313.00	Laos
20260700	Beirut Chancery	Chancery	Leased	2122.00	Lebanon
20320900	Beirut HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	572.00	Lebanon
20349900	Beirut Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	335.00	Lebanon
20360700	Beirut Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Lebanon
20372100	Beirut Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	280.00	Lebanon
20371200	Beirut Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Lebanon
20481600	Beirut Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	321.00	Lebanon
20481700	Beirut Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	245.00	Lebanon
20481800	Beirut Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	383.00	Lebanon

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20297900	Beirut Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	280.00	Lebanon
10440100	Kuala Lumpur Chancery	Chancery	Owned	7433.80	Malaysia
10405200	Kuala Lumpur HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1148.10	Malaysia
20277600	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	320.00	Malaysia
20322400	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Malaysia
20341100	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Malaysia
20348000	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Malaysia
20348100	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Malaysia
20349100	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	223.00	Malaysia
20360300	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.00	Malaysia
20376200	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Malaysia
20380200	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Malaysia
20384400	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Malaysia
20442700	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Malaysia
20446800	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	176.00	Malaysia
20451100	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	343.00	Malaysia
20453900	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	343.00	Malaysia
20454400	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	343.00	Malaysia
20462700	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	205.00	Malaysia
20483200	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	176.00	Malaysia
20483300	Kuala Lumpur Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	120.00	Malaysia
20174700	Malta Chancery	Chancery	Leased	390.80	Malta
10406600	Malta HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	459.00	Malta
20446100	Malta Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Malta
20129800	Port Louis Chancery	Chancery	Leased	507.10	Mauritius
10407600	Port Louis HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	794.00	Mauritius
20470100	Port Louis Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	183.00	Mauritius
20469000	Port Louis Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Mauritius
20366100	Port Louis Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.05	Mauritius
10413500	Mexico City Chancery	Chancery	Owned	1068.90	Mexico
10406800	Mexico City HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	970.00	Mexico
20347700	Mexico City Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	265.00	Mexico
20348600	Mexico City Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Mexico
20445400	Mexico City Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Mexico
20463500	Mexico City Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	152.00	Mexico
20298300	Mexico City Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.00	Mexico
20332300	Pohnpei Chancery	Chancery	Leased	277.30	Micronesia
10411100	Pohnpei HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	614.00	Micronesia
10430800	Pohnpei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	182.00	Micronesia
10430900	Pohnpei Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	159.00	Micronesia
20473000	Ulaanbaatar Interim Chancery	Chancery Annex	Leased	81.67	Mongolia
20475200	Ulaanbatar HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	221.00	Mongolia
20349400	Yangon Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1084.50	Myanmar
20259500	Yangon Clinic	Clinic	Leased	178.00	Myanmar
10413300	Yangon HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	603.00	Myanmar
20475600	Yangon New Chancery	New Chancery	Leased	3000.00	Myanmar
10430400	Yangon Recreation Facility	Recreation Facility	Owned	613.00	Myanmar
20301500	Yangon staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	223.00	Myanmar
20380400	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	196.00	Myanmar
20380500	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	196.00	Myanmar
20414800	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	173.00	Myanmar
20452400	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	209.00	Myanmar
20460100	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	155.00	Myanmar
20464500	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	155.00	Myanmar
20464600	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	155.00	Myanmar
20464900	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	217.00	Myanmar
20465000	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	390.00	Myanmar
20465200	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	155.00	Myanmar

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Property_ID	Property Name	Property Type	Ownership	NLA (m2)	Country
20433500	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	155.00	Myanmar
20472200	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	173.00	Myanmar
20472300	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	48.00	Myanmar
20472400	Yangon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	96.00	Myanmar
20299200	Nauru Chancery	Chancery	Leased	291.38	Nauru
20291100	Nauru HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	150.00	Nauru
20291200	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Nauru
20432800	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Nauru
20433300	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	105.00	Nauru
20433400	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Nauru
20432700	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	100.00	Nauru
20433200	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	170.00	Nauru
20468000	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	70.00	Nauru
20468100	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	105.00	Nauru
20432900	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Nauru
20433000	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Nauru
20433100	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	160.00	Nauru
20468200	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	100.00	Nauru
20434900	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Nauru
20435500	Nauru Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	130.00	Nauru
20334200	Kathmandu Chancery	Chancery	Leased	341.66	Nepal
20171900	Kathmandu HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	307.61	Nepal
20160100	Kathmandu Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	288.00	Nepal
20438400	Kathmandu Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	376.23	Nepal
20284000	The Hague Chancery	Chancery	Leased	946.70	Netherlands
10409800	The Hague HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1260.00	Netherlands
20146700	The Hague Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	210.00	Netherlands
20439300	The Hague Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Netherlands
20464300	The Hague Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	138.00	Netherlands
20469700	The Hague Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	403.00	Netherlands
10438400	Wellington Chancery	Chancery	Owned	2331.60	New Zealand
10410700	Wellington HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	867.00	New Zealand
10435600	Auckland Austrade Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	526.27	New Zealand
20378400	Wellington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	New Zealand
20444300	Wellington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	285.00	New Zealand
20455900	Wellington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	252.00	New Zealand
20456000	Wellington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	160.00	New Zealand
20456100	Wellington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	120.00	New Zealand
20472600	Wellington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	195.00	New Zealand
20482800	Wellington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	175.00	New Zealand
20482900	Wellington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	195.00	New Zealand
20218300	Abuja Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1191.90	Nigeria
20218200	Abuja HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	470.00	Nigeria
20209900	Abuja Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Nigeria
20263300	Abuja Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Nigeria
20338200	Abuja Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	170.00	Nigeria
20473300	Abuja Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	171.00	Nigeria
10401000	Islamabad Chancery	Chancery	Owned	1892.60	Pakistan
10401100	UN High Commissioner for Refugees Office	Chancery Annex	Owned	1393.55	Pakistan
10431200	Islamabad HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	373.00	Pakistan
20125100	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan
20131400	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Pakistan
20316800	Islamabad staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Pakistan
20319500	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Pakistan
20321600	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan
20330100	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan
20337200	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan

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20356000	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Pakistan
20386400	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan
20386500	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan
20388400	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan
20449800	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	750.00	Pakistan
20453500	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	350.00	Pakistan
20458100	Islamabad Staff residence	Staff Residence	Leased	418.00	Pakistan
20321700	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan
20428800	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Pakistan
20325400	Islamabad Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Pakistan
10439400	Port Moresby Chancery	Chancery	Owned	4142.00	Papua New Guinea
20330400	Port Moresby Chancery Annex	Chancery Annex	Leased	958.00	Papua New Guinea
10439300	Port Moresby Chancery Annex	Chancery Annex	Owned	312.80	Papua New Guinea
10407800	Port Moresby HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	915.00	Papua New Guinea
20467700	Buka Program Office	Program Office	Leased	115.00	Papua New Guinea
10436300	Port Moresby Austrade Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	279.00	Papua New Guinea
20470500	Port Moresby Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	137.08	Papua New Guinea
10412100	Port Moresby Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	322.00	Papua New Guinea
10413100	Port Moresby Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	245.00	Papua New Guinea
10440500	Port Moresby Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	300.00	Papua New Guinea
10440400	Port Moresby Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	245.00	Papua New Guinea
10434400	Port Moresby Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	180.00	Papua New Guinea
10407700	Port Moresby Aps 1-16 Port Rd 2	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	3584.00	Papua New Guinea
20470600	Port Moresby Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Leased	2948.30	Papua New Guinea
20470800	Port Moresby Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Leased	1700.00	Papua New Guinea
20470900	Port Moresby Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Leased	992.00	Papua New Guinea
20471000	Port Moresby Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Leased	944.00	Papua New Guinea
20471100	Port Moresby Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Leased	1035.00	Papua New Guinea
10407900	Port Moresby Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	2340.00	Papua New Guinea
10408100	Port Moresby Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	2040.00	Papua New Guinea
10413000	Port Moresby Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	9542.00	Papua New Guinea
10438200	Port Moresby Warehouse	Warehouse	Owned	614.90	Papua New Guinea
20343000	Lima Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1108.00	Peru
20349300	Lima HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	1210.00	Peru
20434300	Lima Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	170.10	Peru
20453700	Lima Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	169.00	Peru
20473400	Lima Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	156.00	Peru
20473500	Lima Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	165.00	Peru
20473600	Lima Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Peru
20482200	Lima Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Peru
20295400	Manila Chancery	Chancery	Leased	4751.70	Philippines
10406700	Manila HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1469.00	Philippines
20430900	Manila Program Office	Program Office	Leased	521.12	Philippines
10436200	Manila Austrade Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	540.13	Philippines
20269800	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Philippines
20304400	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Philippines
20317400	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	326.78	Philippines
20340500	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Philippines
20349000	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Philippines
20351400	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	325.00	Philippines
20375900	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.00	Philippines
20377100	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	270.00	Philippines

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20382800	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	285.00	Philippines
20390500	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Philippines
20445500	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	174.27	Philippines
20452900	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	270.00	Philippines
20457300	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	285.00	Philippines
20457400	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	179.00	Philippines
20457600	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	215.00	Philippines
20458700	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	178.00	Philippines
20297200	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	468.00	Philippines
20336500	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	266.00	Philippines
20343200	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Philippines
20283700	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.00	Philippines
20474400	Manila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	186.00	Philippines
20361900	Warsaw Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1137.00	Poland
20360200	Warsaw HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	500.00	Poland
20317000	Warsaw Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	119.40	Poland
20482700	Warsaw Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	172.00	Poland
20330300	Lisbon Chancery	Chancery	Leased	326.80	Portugal
20337700	Lisbon HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	410.00	Portugal
20379800	Lisbon Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Portugal
20306500	Moscow Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1554.80	Russia
20383400	Moscow HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	2641.30	Russia
20169300	Moscow Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	160.30	Russia
20341600	Moscow Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	195.20	Russia
20468600	Moscow Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	177.50	Russia
20443800	Moscow Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	154.30	Russia
20450200	Moscow Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	176.30	Russia
20455100	Moscow Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	179.30	Russia
10438700	Apia Chancery	Chancery	Owned	528.60	Samoa
10411600	Apia HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	665.00	Samoa
10412900	Apia Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	1257.20	Samoa
10439900	Riyadh Chancery	Chancery	Owned	1254.80	Saudi Arabia
10430300	Riyadh HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1196.00	Saudi Arabia
10436400	Riyadh Austrade Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	401.55	Saudi Arabia
20361800	Riyadh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	475.00	Saudi Arabia
20228600	Riyadh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Saudi Arabia
20229000	Riyadh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	244.00	Saudi Arabia
20228800	Riyadh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	186.00	Saudi Arabia
20311500	Belgrade Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1424.20	Serbia and Montenegro
20355900	Belgrade HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	600.00	Serbia and Montenegro
20377500	Belgrade Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	400.00	Serbia and Montenegro
20445600	Belgrade Warehouse	Warehouse	Leased	19.92	Serbia and Montenegro
10439600	Singapore Chancery	Chancery	Owned	5246.20	Singapore
10415300	Singapore HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	1567.00	Singapore
20343300	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	169.00	Singapore
20352500	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	189.00	Singapore
20370000	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	169.00	Singapore
20375000	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	295.00	Singapore
20444100	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	170.00	Singapore
20444200	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	142.00	Singapore
20456400	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	189.00	Singapore
20456500	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	176.00	Singapore
20456600	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	197.00	Singapore
10436700	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	308.00	Singapore
10436800	Singapore Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	0.00	Singapore
10438100	Honiara Chancery	Chancery	Owned	879.40	Solomon Islands
20444700	Honiara Office - Heritage Park	Chancery Annex	Leased	755.00	Solomon Islands

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10412000	Honiara HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	718.00	Solomon Islands
10415200	Honiara Vacant SRC (Amortisation Only)	Land	Owned	7250.00	Solomon Islands
20365300	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Solomon Islands
20365400	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	210.00	Solomon Islands
20416800	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20431400	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	350.00	Solomon Islands
20431500	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Solomon Islands
20431600	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Solomon Islands
20443700	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	350.00	Solomon Islands
20446500	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20451700	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Solomon Islands
20460600	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20460700	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20460800	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20460900	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Solomon Islands
20461100	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20461200	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Solomon Islands
20461700	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20387400	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20398000	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	140.00	Solomon Islands
20401600	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Solomon Islands
20425400	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
20425600	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Solomon Islands
20461000	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Solomon Islands
20461300	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Solomon Islands
20461600	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Solomon Islands
10411700	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	262.00	Solomon Islands
10416300	Honiara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	250.00	Solomon Islands
10405000	Honiara Staff Residence (Leppingi Rd #1)	Staff Residence	Owned	178.00	Solomon Islands
10405000	Honiara Staff Residence (Leppingi Rd #2)	Staff Residence	Owned	178.00	Solomon Islands
10434500	Honiara Staff Residence (Tavioa #1)	Staff Residence	Owned	310.00	Solomon Islands
10434500	Honiara Staff Residence (Tavioa #2)	Staff Residence	Owned	310.00	Solomon Islands
20349500	Pretoria Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1344.80	South Africa
10411800	Pretoria HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	580.00	South Africa
20307300	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	255.00	South Africa
20320700	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	South Africa
20361700	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	South Africa
20364200	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	South Africa
20378600	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	385.00	South Africa
20427000	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	South Africa
20450800	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	210.00	South Africa
20402500	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	South Africa
20412800	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	100.00	South Africa
20407500	Pretoria Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	160.00	South Africa
20309600	Madrid Chancery	Chancery	Leased	946.10	Spain
20467600	Madrid HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	420.00	Spain
20316300	Madrid Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Spain
20361200	Madrid Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Spain
20385800	Madrid Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Spain
10435000	Colombo Chancery	Chancery	Owned	1595.10	Sri Lanka
10403600	Colombo HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	933.10	Sri Lanka
20385200	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Sri Lanka
20394800	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	228.00	Sri Lanka
20410300	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Sri Lanka
20444600	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	350.00	Sri Lanka
20464200	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Sri Lanka

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20469100	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Sri Lanka
20340900	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Sri Lanka
20351700	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	220.00	Sri Lanka
20405100	Colombo Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Sri Lanka
20323400	Stockholm Chancery	Chancery	Leased	608.00	Sweden
10434300	Stockholm HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	379.00	Sweden
10408800	Stockholm Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	310.00	Sweden
20294100	Stockholm Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	163.00	Sweden
10438300	Geneva Chancery	Chancery	Owned	2073.10	Switzerland
10435300	Geneva Chancery Annex	Chancery Annex	Owned	722.50	Switzerland
20463600	Geneva HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	500.00	Switzerland
20019700	Geneva WTO HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	400.00	Switzerland
20362100	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	145.00	Switzerland
20226200	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	140.00	Switzerland
20159100	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	261.00	Switzerland
20299300	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.00	Switzerland
20390300	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	264.00	Switzerland
20020200	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	190.00	Switzerland
20019900	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	195.00	Switzerland
20226300	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	126.00	Switzerland
20475300	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	130.00	Switzerland
20482100	Geneva Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	189.00	Switzerland
20313400	Geneva WTO Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	150.00	Switzerland
20316000	Geneva WTO Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	183.00	Switzerland
20336800	Geneva WTO Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	238.00	Switzerland
20379900	Geneva WTO Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Switzerland
20388200	Geneva WTO Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	272.00	Switzerland
20388300	Geneva WTO Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	120.00	Switzerland
20463700	Geneva WTO Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	140.00	Switzerland
20454700	Geneva WTO Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	160.00	Switzerland
10400200	Bangkok Chancery	Chancery	Owned	8024.40	Thailand
10432100	Bangkok HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	815.00	Thailand
10437200	New Bangkok Chancery	New Chancery	Owned	8213.00	Thailand
20482600	Phuket Chancery	New Chancery	Leased	521.00	Thailand
20328400	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	142.72	Thailand
20332800	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	188.00	Thailand
20342700	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	188.00	Thailand
20347200	Bangkok Staff residence	Staff Residence	Leased	168.51	Thailand
20364900	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	204.00	Thailand
20366300	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.13	Thailand
20370100	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	223.00	Thailand
20373400	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	251.86	Thailand
20379600	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	170.00	Thailand
20382900	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	136.31	Thailand
20383000	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	251.86	Thailand
20384800	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	103.00	Thailand
20384900	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Thailand
20434400	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	247.00	Thailand
20439800	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	167.19	Thailand
20439900	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	251.86	Thailand
20445300	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	251.30	Thailand
20446400	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	289.93	Thailand
20450300	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	129.98	Thailand
20454800	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	265.00	Thailand
20454900	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	199.90	Thailand
20462900	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	149.86	Thailand
20463000	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	144.94	Thailand
20365600	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	107.50	Thailand

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20466700	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	187.00	Thailand
20466800	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	149.86	Thailand
20365000	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Thailand
20474500	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	251.30	Thailand
20480800	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	123.20	Thailand
20480900	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	165.00	Thailand
20481900	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	212.00	Thailand
20483000	Bangkok Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	114.65	Thailand
20358500	Dili Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1031.10	Timor-Leste
10437300	Dili HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	316.23	Timor-Leste
10437800	Dili Staff Residential Compound	Land	Owned	1000.00	Timor-Leste
20415100	Dili Program Office	Program Office	Leased	457.00	Timor-Leste
20447600	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	130.00	Timor-Leste
20310200	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	113.00	Timor-Leste
20301300	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	219.00	Timor-Leste
20355500	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Timor-Leste
20355600	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	174.00	Timor-Leste
20398900	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	234.00	Timor-Leste
20415000	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	174.00	Timor-Leste
20437600	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Timor-Leste
20449100	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	89.60	Timor-Leste
20449300	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	89.60	Timor-Leste
20449400	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.02	Timor-Leste
20449500	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	172.20	Timor-Leste
20449600	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	177.96	Timor-Leste
20449700	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	124.89	Timor-Leste
20451500	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	178.00	Timor-Leste
20451600	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	187.00	Timor-Leste
20455000	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	400.00	Timor-Leste
20462400	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Timor-Leste
20462500	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	174.00	Timor-Leste
20296800	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	219.00	Timor-Leste
20467900	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.02	Timor-Leste
20470200	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Timor-Leste
20475700	Dili Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	230.00	Timor-Leste
20462600	Dili Warehouse	Warehouse	Leased	203.38	Timor-Leste
10438500	Nuku'alofa Chancery	Chancery	Owned	565.10	Tonga
10407400	Nuku'alofa HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	819.00	Tonga
20439700	Nuku'Alofa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	110.00	Tonga
10431000	Nuku'alofa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	250.00	Tonga
10434200	Nuku'alofa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	384.00	Tonga
10407500	Nuku'alofa Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	265.00	Tonga
20354400	Port of Spain Chancery	Chancery	Leased	401.10	Trinidad
20376900	Port of Spain HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	464.20	Trinidad
20346400	Port of Spain Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	182.70	Trinidad
20446700	Port of Spain Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	182.70	Trinidad
20287700	Canakkale Chancery	Chancery	Leased	116.00	Turkey
20288000	Canakkale HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	385.00	Turkey
20469400	Ankara Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1204.80	Turkey
20275200	Ankara HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	582.00	Turkey
20376100	Ankara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	330.00	Turkey
20379400	Ankara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	280.00	Turkey
20443200	Ankara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	300.00	Turkey
20450000	Ankara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	198.00	Turkey
20459900	Ankara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	385.00	Turkey
20460000	Ankara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.00	Turkey
20350800	Ankara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	260.00	Turkey
20468400	Ankara Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	195.00	Turkey

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Property_ID	Property Name	Property Type	Ownership	NLA (m2)	Country
20456700	Australian Embassy Kyiv	Chancery	Leased	100.00	Ukraine
20459800	Kyiv HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	422.20	Ukraine
20450900	Kyiv Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	167.10	Ukraine
20451000	Kyiv Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	155.00	Ukraine
20459700	Kyiv Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.40	Ukraine
20328600	Abu Dhabi Chancery	Chancery	Leased	801.30	United Arab Emirates
20349800	Abu Dhabi HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	892.00	United Arab Emirates
20342500	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	353.00	United Arab Emirates
20319000	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	365.00	United Arab Emirates
20371700	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.00	United Arab Emirates
20460200	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	231.00	United Arab Emirates
20465400	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	290.00	United Arab Emirates
20442400	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	278.00	United Arab Emirates
20474000	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	466.00	United Arab Emirates
20381900	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	368.00	United Arab Emirates
20475100	Abu Dhabi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	278.00	United Arab Emirates
20445200	Staff Residence Dubai	Staff Residence	Leased	308.00	United Arab Emirates
10438800	London Chancery	Chancery	Owned	8334.10	United Kingdom
10439000	Australia Centre	Chancery Annex	Owned	2703.50	United Kingdom
10406200	London HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	698.00	United Kingdom
10415000	London Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	440.60	United Kingdom
10436100	London Austrade Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	182.10	United Kingdom
10406300	London Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	322.00	United Kingdom
20373300	Chicago Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	476.50	United States of America
20211500	Honolulu Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	527.20	United States of America
20293700	Los Angeles Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	1041.90	United States of America
20335800	New York Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	2866.70	United States of America
10438900	Washington Chancery	Chancery	Owned	13418.22	United States of America
20467400	Chicago Consul-General Res	HOM Residence	Leased	325.16	United States of America
10405100	Honolulu HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	464.00	United States of America
20321200	Los Angeles HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	375.00	United States of America
10406500	New York - Ambassador to UN Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	603.85	United States of America
10406400	New York - Consul-General Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	371.60	United States of America
10402400	Washington HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	2054.25	United States of America
20452800	Chicago Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	186.00	United States of America
20387200	Honolulu Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	216.00	United States of America
20371100	Los Angeles Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	172.99	United States of America
20465900	Los Angeles Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	91.88	United States of America
20303100	Los Angeles Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	United States of America
20466000	New York CG Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	169.35	United States of America
20458200	New York CG Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	232.55	United States of America
20367900	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	92.00	United States of America
20368200	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	83.20	United States of America
20455500	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	118.89	United States of America
20458500	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	77.18	United States of America
20466100	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	139.35	United States of America
20372900	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	97.30	United States of America
20372600	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	99.00	United States of America
20469800	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	132.75	United States of America
20467500	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	119.30	United States of America
20458400	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	128.89	United States of America
20455300	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	108.69	United States of America
20385600	New York UN Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	108.15	United States of America
10429800	Washington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	478.00	United States of America
10429900	Washington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	478.00	United States of America
10430000	Washington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	673.00	United States of America
10430100	Washington Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	785.00	United States of America

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Property_ID	Property Name	Property Type	Ownership	NLA (m2)	Country
20295100	Port Vila Chancery	Chancery	Leased	1118.10	Vanuatu
10410000	Port Vila HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Owned	462.60	Vanuatu
20447100	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	115.00	Vanuatu
20447200	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	100.00	Vanuatu
20463300	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	912.00	Vanuatu
20241000	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Vanuatu
20400900	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	143.00	Vanuatu
20481300	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	132.00	Vanuatu
20481400	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	185.00	Vanuatu
20412000	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	170.00	Vanuatu
10430500	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	259.00	Vanuatu
10410100	Port Vila Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	305.80	Vanuatu
20320200	Port Vila Warehouse	Warehouse	Leased	20.00	Vanuatu
20447300	Port Villa Warehouse	Warehouse	Leased	180.00	Vanuatu
20324400	Holy See Chancery	Chancery	Leased	306.90	Vatican City
20371000	Holy See HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	313.00	Vatican City
20443600	Holy See Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	180.00	Vatican City
10439800	Hanoi Chancery	Chancery	Owned	3818.30	Vietnam
20349600	Ho Chi Minh Consulate-General	Chancery	Leased	2939.90	Vietnam
20262600	Hanoi HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	524.00	Vietnam
20237000	Ho Chi Minh Consul-General Res	HOM Residence	Leased	369.00	Vietnam
20312800	Hanoi staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	346.00	Vietnam
20326600	Hanoi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Vietnam
20450600	Hanoi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	186.00	Vietnam
20450700	Hanoi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	139.00	Vietnam
20467000	Hanoi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	276.00	Vietnam
20462200	Hanoi Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	231.00	Vietnam
20446300	Ho Chi Minh City Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	132.00	Vietnam
20331900	Ho Chi Minh City Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	157.00	Vietnam
20376800	Ho Chi Minh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	129.00	Vietnam
20483700	Ho Chi Minh Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	200.30	Vietnam
10440600	Hanoi Staff Residential Compound	Staff Residential Compound	Owned	2354.00	Vietnam
10435400	Harare Chancery	Chancery	Owned	664.10	Zimbabwe
20272300	Harare HOM Residence	HOM Residence	Leased	420.00	Zimbabwe
20375200	Harare Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	238.00	Zimbabwe
20407400	Harare Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	280.00	Zimbabwe
20409000	Harare Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Leased	250.00	Zimbabwe
10403400	Harare Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	264.00	Zimbabwe
10411500	Harare Staff Residence	Staff Residence	Owned	180.00	Zimbabwe
Number	951			538,028.65	
Total number excludes private leases in London and Washington and 247 Individual Residential Units in Owned Staff Residential Compounds					

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Question No 268

Program: DFAT

Topic: Washington Chancery

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. *Can the Department provide an update on the status of the Washington Chancery?***
- 2. *Can the Department provide an update on expected timelines for all of the renovations?***

Answer

1. The appointment of the project Design Consultant is on schedule for mid-May 2016 following completion of a two stage tender process.
2. The Program remains unchanged and is following milestones outlined in the Business Case approved in the 2015-16 Budget.

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Question No 269

Program: DFAT

Topic: Other Properties

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

From Budget Estimates QoNs:

Location Approx. timeframe Approx. costs

Honiara 30-Jun 15 \$41,742

Noumea 30-Jun 15 \$195,533

Santiago 1-Mar 15 \$42,836

Tel Aviv 30-Jun 16 \$9320

Vienna 30-Jun 15 \$14,617

Washington 30-Jun 15 \$50,000

- 1. Are there any updates to these projects?**
- 2. Did each of these projects occur and were they completed on schedule?**
 - *If not, why?*
- 3. Can the Department provide an updated list of other properties due for upgrades/renovations in 2015-16 and 2016-17?**
 - *What are the approximate time frames?*
 - *What are the approximate costs of each?*

Answer

1.

Location	Completion date	Actual Cost
Honiara	15-Apr-15	41,780
Noumea	30-Jun-15	145,585
Santiago	15-May-15	177,765*
Tel Aviv	30-Apr-15	7,090
Vienna	31-Mar-15	13,672
Washington	N/A	-

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- *Santiago - the original budget submitted for Supplementary Budget Estimates (2015) was expanded to address issues around high levels of street and traffic noise. A revised budget of \$185,000 was allocated to include double glazing and other acoustic treatments.

2.

All projects were completed on schedule except for:

- Santiago – this was completed by 15 May, 2015
- Washington – project did not proceed.

3.

2015-16

Location	Approximate timeframe	Approximate Cost
Dublin	30-Jun-16	7,324
Kuala Lumpur	30-Jun-16	15,457
London	30-Jun-16	228,585
Port Moresby	30-Jun-16	197,088
Washington	30-Jun-16	41,828

2016-17

Location	Approximate timeframe	Approximate Cost
Cairo	30-Jun-17	4,773
Honiara	30-Jun-17	30,663
London	30-Jun-17	250,294
Noumea	30-Jun-17	20,758
Port Moresby	30-Jun-17	50,000
Port Vila	30-Jun-17	43,575
Singapore	30-Jun-17	29,406
Stockholm	30-Jun-17	234,387

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Question No 270

Program: DFAT

Topic: Reports and Reviews

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Is it correct that DFAT has conducted a “functional review”?**
 - a. When did this review begin and conclude?**
 - b. Who conducted the review?**
 - c. What were the findings of the review?**
 - d. What was the cost of conducting the review?**
 - e. Can the Department provide a copy of the review?**
- 2. Is it correct that DFAT has conducted a “staffing review”?**
 - a. When did this review begin and conclude?**
 - b. Who conducted the review?**
 - c. What were the findings of the review?**
 - d. What was the cost of conducting the review?**
 - e. Can the Department provide a copy of the review?**
- 3. What other reviews have been conducted by DFAT over the past 36 months?**
 - a. What was the purpose of each?**
 - b. What were the outcomes of each?**
 - c. What was the cost of each?**
- 4. Has DFAT considered doing a review or an audit on the merging of DFAT and AusAID?**

Answer

1. Yes.
 - a. The Finance Minister announced the review on 11 May 2015. The review commenced in July 2015 and concluded on 30 November 2015.
 - b. The review was led by Dr Brendan Nelson. An internal secretariat within DFAT was established to support Dr Brendan Nelson. Deloitte were

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- contracted to provide international benchmarking; and costing and analysis of the DFAT's corporate functions.
- c. The findings of the review are being considered by Government as part of the 2016-17 Budget process.
 - d. The cost of conducting the review was \$543,407.50 including GST.
Dr Nelson was not remunerated for his work.
 - e. No, the contents of the review are classified.
2. DFAT regularly reviews its staffing resources according to the department's operating needs. The last formal review of full time equivalent (FTE) staff allocations across the department occurred over May to June in 2015.
- a. The Secretary announced on 13 May 2015 that there would be a review of FTE allocations to ensure the department's resources were aligned to departmental priorities in accordance with the May 2015 Budget outcomes.
 - b. An internal team led by an Assistant Secretary conducted the review in close consultation with the department's Divisions, Posts and State offices.
 - c. The outcome of the review, announced by the Secretary on 23 July 2015, made minor amendments to the internal distribution of the department's FTE resources.
 - d. The review was conducted by an internal team amongst their ordinary duties. There were no additional costs to the department in conducting the review.
 - e. The outcome of the review was published via administrative circular to confirm to divisions their FTE allocations for 2015-16. This is an internal document.
3. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.
4. No.

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Question No 271

Program: DFAT

Topic: Banners on Paris Embassy

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. *What financial contribution is DFAT making/has made to the banners on the Paris Embassy?***
- 2. *Who designed, produced, transported and hung the banners, and how much did each of these cost?***
- 3. *How long will each of the banners hang for? Please provide a forward schedule showing the duration of each.***
- 4. *What is the aim of the banners?***
- 5. *How is success of the banner campaign being measured?***
- 6. *Where will the results of the campaign be published? Will this information be publicly available?***
- 7. *What assistance did DFAT provide in the event on 21 April 2015 which resulted in Ms Bishop's tweet of 21 April 2015 of a photograph of a selfie in front of the banner?***
- 8. *Who took the photo? Was a professional photographer hired for this event? What was the cost?***
- 9. *Did the Embassy host any social events whilst the Minister was in Paris? If so, please specify location, who was invited, who attended and what were the total cost of the event/s? Please also identify any attendees who appear on the Lobbyists Register.***
- 10. *Did the Minister receive any gifts on her visit to Paris? Please detail item and value.***
- 11. *How many staff accompanied Minister Bishop for the event at which the 'selfie' took place? Please detail role and level, accommodation costs, any hospitality and gifts received and value.***

Answer

1. Nil.
2. The banners were designed by Tourism Australia. The banners were produced, transported and installed by local Paris company Multiplast. Questions about cost of banners should be directed to Tourism Australia.

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3. The banners will each hang for approximately six months. The first was installed in April 2015, the second in November 2015. The next banner will be installed in the week of 11 April 2016 (weather conditions depending) and will remain in place until October 2016 when a fourth and final banner will be installed.
4. To promote Australia as a tourism destination.
5. Visitor numbers and spend from France are monitored by Tourism Australia as part of the overall KPI measurement for the French market.
6. Visitor numbers and market updates are published on Tourism.Australia.com
7. The photo was taken as the Foreign Minister walked to a meeting with Tourism Australia.
8. The Embassy hired a professional photographer to cover all of Minister Bishop's official engagements during the visit.
9. No
10. Gifts to the Minister for Foreign Affairs are declared in accordance with the Department of Finance Guidelines relating to Official Gifts Received.
11. See response to question 7. There were no costs associated with the Minister taking a photograph in front of the Embassy.

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Question No 272

Program: DFAT

Topic: Aid Investment Plans

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. What are the budget allocations and programmatic priorities for gender equality and empowering women and girls associated with the aid investment plans for each country program? What proportion of total annual expenditure does this represent in each case?***
- 2. What proportion of this allocation directly supports civil society organisations focused on women's rights in each country?***
- 3. How is expenditure on efforts to integrate gender across mainstream programs (i.e. not those specifically targeting women and girls) being tracked, to bring visibility to the range of ways country programs are progressing gender equality and empower women and girls?***

Answer

1. In 2014-15 Australia spent \$2.44 billion on investments that targeted gender equality as a principal or significant objective. This represents 54 per cent of DFAT's country, regional and global aid investments by value across all sectors.
2. Expenditure on support for civil society organisations that promote women's rights (DAC sector code 15170 – Women's equality organisations and institutions) was \$104.9 million in 2014-15.
3. The twenty-five highest value country and regional programs bring visibility to their progress on gender equality and women's empowerment through Annual Program Performance Reports, accessible on DFAT's website.

Gender equality aid expenditure is tracked for aid activities which have identified gender equality as either the principal objective or a significant objective.

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Question No 273

Program: DFAT

Topic: OECD - DAC Reporting

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. *What percentage of the budget allocation targets gender equality as a principal objective? Can you please provide details of the specific programs?***
- 2. *What percentage of the budget allocation targets gender equality as a significant objective? Can you please provide details of the specific programs?***
- 3. *What is the budget allocation to programs coded under the OECD DAC reporting system as supporting 'women's equality organisations and institutions' and details of these programs?***

Answer

1. DFAT classifies all aid expenditure using the OECD DAC gender policy marker, which identifies where gender equality is a principal objective of assistance, a significant objective of assistance or not targeted.

In 2013/14 and 2014/15 approximately 5% of DFAT programmed ODA indicated gender equality as a principal objective.

This includes Australia's support for flagship gender equality programs such as Pacific Women Shaping Pacific Development, and the Empowering Indonesian Women for Poverty Reduction program in Indonesia. It also includes Australia's funding agreements with UN Women for work on Ending Violence against Women and Girls and promoting Women Peace and Security.

2. In 2013/14 and 2014/15 approximately 50% of DFAT programmed ODA indicated gender equality as a significant objective.

This covered sectors as diverse as education, health, scholarships, trade facilitation, agriculture, governance and economic development.

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3. ODA attributed to DAC sector code 15170 – Women’s equality organisations and institutions – amounted to \$66.7m in 2013/14 and \$104.9m in 2014/15.

This covered 33 investments in 2013/14 and 34 investments in 2014/15.

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Question No 274

Program: DFAT

Topic: Clothing

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

- 1. Has DFAT, including any post, ever provided the Minister with assistance buying clothes or fashion accessories?***
- 2. Please detail each instance, location, and the nature of the assistance provided.***

Answer

- DFAT has not been asked to purchase or make any arrangements to purchase any clothes or accessories on behalf of the Minister, nor has it done so.
- N/A.

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Question No 275

Program: DFAT

Topic: Records of communications

Question in Writing

Senator Wong

Question

Prior to 1:56PM on 8 February 2016 did the Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs hold any documents in relation to the screening of the Minister, The Hon Julie Bishop MP, at Melbourne Airport on 22 September 2015, including, but not limited to, records of communications with the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, The Hon Warren Truss MP, Mr Truss' office, the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Melbourne Airport, including emails and text messages?

Answer

No.

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Program: DFAT

Topic: Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China

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Question

Senator WONG: *In relation to Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China in 2014, was DFAT advised ahead of the visit?*

Mr Varghese: *No, we were not.*

Senator WONG: *When did DFAT become aware of the visit?*

Mr Varghese: *I would have to take the details on notice, but I think our post in Beijing would have become aware of the visit shortly after it had occurred. That would have been in the context of some advice from Defence that there had been a meeting with the vice-minister which has been referred to in the media. I understand that the Department of Defence indicated in its estimates testimony that it became aware of that meeting after it had occurred. We would have become aware in Beijing shortly after that.*

Senator WONG: *As a result of advice from Defence?*

Mr Varghese: *That is my understanding. If that is wrong, I will come back to you.*

Answer

A. The High Commission in Singapore came to learn that Mr Robert had been in China when it met his arrival flight in Singapore on 21 August 2014. Our embassy in Beijing became aware of the visit on 25 August.

B. The Defence Attache in our embassy in Beijing advised DFAT on 26 August.

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Question

Senator WONG: Did an officer of the department, or did that officer establish clearly the sequence of events in terms of DFAT's knowledge of this visit?

Mr Varghese: The threshold question is whether we were aware of the visit. The answer to that was no. Therefore the sequence becomes secondary.

Senator WONG: I understand that you are going to take on notice more detail, and we would appreciate it if you could provide that today.

Answer

See previous responses.

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Question No 278

Program: DFAT

Topic: Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China

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Senator Wong

Question

Mr Varghese: Can I just say this: the focus of this issue has been on Mr Robert's visit to China. I have given you the sum total of our knowledge of Mr Robert's visit to China and whether the department or the embassy had any involvement in it. His onward travel is not the focus of public attention at the moment—

Senator WONG: It is entirely relevant.

Mr Varghese: It may well be entirely relevant—

Senator WONG: It is entirely relevant—

CHAIR: Senator Wong, let the secretary finish.

Mr Varghese: but it is not the focus of attention at the moment and, therefore, I do not have the details of what our post in Singapore did following Mr Robert's visit to Beijing. I will get that information to you as quickly as possible.

Answer

Refer to response to Question on Notice 148.

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Question No 279

Program: DFAT

Topic: Special Envoy for Human Rights

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Senator McEwen

Question

Senator McEWEN: I do note, Attorney—from information helpfully provided by the APH website—that the exclusion in section 44 of the Constitution with regard to office of profit under the Crown specifically excludes Queen's Ministers of State for the Commonwealth and members of the Defence Force, but it does not make any mention of special envoys. Nevertheless, you have taken on notice that you will give us advice about that.

Answer

See response to Question on Notice 162.

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Question No 280

Program: DFAT

Topic: Antarctic Territory

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Senator Xenophon

Question

Senator XENOPHON: *Just in general terms. This is the legislation: the Maritime Legislation Amendment Act 1994 included Antarctic Territory. Antarctica is 14.4 million square kilometres and Australia has made a claim of 40 per cent of that.*

Dr French: *What is certainly the case is that Australia has a clear claim to the Australian Antarctic Territory and, as a natural corollary of that, the pertinent maritime zones are part of the Australian Antarctic Territory, including sovereign rights and jurisdiction over the EEZ of the Antarctic Territory. That said, under article 4 of the Antarctic Treaty there is, if you like, a freezing of claims—*

Senator XENOPHON: *Is that a pun?*

Dr French: *No pun intended, Senator—of claims and/or protests of claims with respect to the various states which do have claims of sovereignty with respect to Antarctica. So, certainly it is clear that a number of states, including the United States, do not recognise Australia's claim, but it is dealt with in an orderly and civil manner within the mechanism contained within article 4 of the Antarctic Treaty.*

Senator XENOPHON: *Perhaps you could take that on notice for later on today. I would like to put a couple of questions to you and then I will be out of time for now. I am trying to establish which countries recognise our exclusive economic zone. As a South Australian senator, I would like to make reference to Anxious Bay, Encounter Bay, Lacedpede Bay and Rivoli Bay. Through the Seas and Submerged Lands Act 1973, Australia made a proclamation in 1987 pursuant to that act. Is it the case that a diplomatic protest was made by the United States in 1991 and that the United States does not recognise our assertions of an economic zone? I am happy for you to consider that later on. I will look at my Wikipedia entries in the meantime.*

Dr French: *I do not have the exact details in my head, but I do recall the matter in general terms. It relates to Australia's assertion of rights with*

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respect to those historic bays and the ability for us to draw straight base lines closing those bays in a manner consistent with customary international law and the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. We are satisfied and convinced that those historic claims are entirely consistent with both customary and conventional international law.

Answer

Australia asserts sovereignty over approximately 42 per cent of Antarctica – the Australian Antarctic Territory (AAT), which includes its adjacent maritime zones.

The different views of States on the question of Antarctic sovereignty were accommodated in a compromise embodied in Article IV of the Antarctic Treaty. This Article provides that nothing in the Treaty itself shall act as a renunciation or diminution of any claim or basis of claim to sovereignty, or shall prejudice any Party's position of recognition or non-recognition of any such claim. Further, no acts conducted while the Treaty is in force shall constitute a basis for asserting, supporting or denying a claim to sovereignty, and no new claims, or enlargement of existing claims, shall be asserted.

In respect of the second issue about Anxious Bay, Encounter Bay, Lacedpede Bay and Rivoli Bay:

The United States issued a diplomatic protest in 1991 over the proclamation of these four South Australian bays as 'historic bays' under the *Seas and Submerged Lands Act 1973* (Cth). The Australian Government is satisfied that, despite the US' protest in 1991, the proclamation of these historic bays is consistent with international law.

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Senator Gallacher

Question

Senator GALLACHER: *Basically what we have done is looked at the two respective charts. We have highlighted the places where there has been a reduction, and that is Vanuatu, Fiji, Kiribati, Pacific regional, Vietnam, Philippines, Burma, Mongolia, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Palestinian territories. Could we get an update on that—further and better detail about what exactly is going on there whether there were changes of contracts, someone was sacked, not doing something, or it is just a timing issue?*

Mr Wood: *Correct, yes.*

Senator GALLACHER: *That is in the 2015-16 space. If we could get on notice further and better details about that that would be helpful.*

Mr Wood: *That is fine.*

Answer

Refer to response to question on notice 173.

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Question No 282

Program: DFAT

Topic: West Bank visit

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Senator Ludlam

Question

Senator LUDLAM: Dr Saidam said Minister Pyne came to the meeting with a list of complaints. Is the department able to clarify what those complaints were?

Mr Innes-Brown: No. I am unaware of that particular claim.

Senator LUDLAM: Could you take on notice for us to undertake to establish what Minister Pyne's complaints were of that Palestinian minister?

Answer

The department has been advised that Minister Pyne did not take a list of complaints to the meeting with Minister Saidam.

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Question No 283

Program: DFAT

Topic: TPP

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: Thank you. Before I go to labour movement, I have two issues. You said, Ms Ward, that you did not keep a schedule—I probably asked the wrong questions, which is always a risky thing to do to a DFAT officer—of changes to the initially released text. You do not keep a schedule of changes which were made in terms of the legal scrub. My recollection is that, where there are these sorts of legal international arrangements, you would have the capacity to compare the two documents.

Ms Ward: Certainly.

Senator WONG: Thank you. See—I did not ask the right question. That is what I want. I want a document that shows me the differences between the 5 November text and 4 February—which I assume you can produce. I do not mind if you give it to me on disk. Are you able to do that on notice?

Ms Ward: On notice, please. Thank you.

Answer

The TPP text was released as soon as possible following the completion of negotiations. Between the release of the text on 5 November 2015 and the signing of the TPP on 4 February 2015, the TPP text was subject to legal review (“legal scrub”) by TPP countries.

The purpose of the legal scrub is to ensure that the legal text of the treaty faithfully reflects the outcome of the negotiations between the Parties. It is also an opportunity to provide increased clarity in the treaty text and consistency in language, style and formatting across the entire treaty text. No changes were made to the negotiated rights and obligations of the Parties to the Agreement during the legal scrub.

The compact disc enclosed with these answers contain the documents in the table below which show the differences between the 5 November 2015 and the 4

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February 2016 text. The Department has created the documents using the “Compare” function in Microsoft Word 2010 as to do otherwise would have been an unreasonable diversion of the Department’s resources. The “Compare” function did not work on Annex III Financial Services Schedule of Viet Nam. In addition, as outlined below, it is not feasible to prepare comparisons of the tariff schedules or some documents prepared by the United States.

Tariff schedules

It is not feasible to provide a comparison of each Party’s tariff schedule. The underlying documents were created with Microsoft Excel, which does not contain the compare function, and each schedule contains between 7,292 and 15,777 rows. Between the 5 November 2015 release and the text that was signed on 4 February 2016, each of the tariff schedules were transposed from the 2007 edition of the Harmonised System Nomenclature, under which the TPP was negotiated, to the 2012 edition of the Harmonised System Nomenclature, under which Parties currently trade. The transposition process resulted in significant changes to the format of the tariff schedules but did not change the underlying tariff commitments. Each Party’s transposition was verified by the other TPP Parties to ensure the commitments remain unchanged.

United States documents

It is not feasible to provide comparisons of Appendix 1 to Annex 4-A (Textiles and Apparel Short Supply List of Products) or Annex 2-D Appendix C (Tariff Differentials) (party-specific appendix of the United States) because these documents include spreadsheets prepared using software that incompatible with the Microsoft Word “Compare” function.

Text of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement

Text of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement	Comparison Document
Preamble	Provided
1. Initial Provisions and General Definitions	Provided
2. National Treatment and Market Access for Goods	Provided
Australia 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Australia 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Brunei Darussalam 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Brunei Darussalam 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Canada 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Canada 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Canada 2-D: Appendix A to tariff schedule of Canada - Tariff rate quotas	Provided
Canada 2-D: Appendix D - Appendix between Japan and Canada on Motor Vehicle Trade	Provided
Chile 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided

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Chile 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Japan 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Japan 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Japan Appendix A: Tariff rate quota	Provided
Japan Appendix B-1: Agricultural Safeguard Measures	Provided
Japan Appendix B-2: Forest Good Safeguard Measure	Provided
Japan Appendix C: Tariff Differentials	Provided
Japan Appendix D-1: Appendix between Japan and the United States on Motor Vehicle Trade	Provided
Japan Appendix D-2: Appendix between Japan and Canada on Motor Vehicle Trade	Provided
Malaysia 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Malaysia 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Malaysia Appendix A: Tariff rate quotas	Provided
Mexico 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Mexico 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Mexico Appendix A-1: Tariff rate quotas and Appendix A-2: Country specific allocation for sugar of Mexico	Provided
New Zealand 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
New Zealand 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Peru 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Peru 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Singapore 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Singapore 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
United States 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
United States 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
United States Appendix A: Tariff rate quotas	Provided
United States Appendix B: Agricultural Safeguard Measures	Provided
United States Appendix C: Tariff Differentials	November 2015 text provided
United States Appendix D: Between Japan and the United States on Motor Vehicle Trade	Provided
United States Appendix E: United States-Viet Nam Earned Import Allowance Programme	Provided
Viet Nam 2-D: General notes to tariff schedule	Provided
Viet Nam 2-D: Tariff Elimination Schedule	Not provided
Viet Nam Appendix A: Tariff rate quotas	Provided
3. Rules of Origin and Origin Procedures	Provided
Annex 3-D. Product Specific Rules	Provided
Appendix 1 to Annex 3-D: Provisions related to the Product-Specific Rules of Origin for certain vehicles and parts of vehicles	Provided
4. Textiles and Apparel	Provided
Annex 4-A. Textiles Product - Specific Rules of Origin	November 2015 text provided
Appendix 1 to Annex 4-A: Short Supply List of Products	Provided
5. Customs Administration and Trade Facilitation	Provided

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12. Temporary Entry for Business Persons	Provided
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12-A. Brunei Darussalam	Provided
12-A. Canada	Provided
12-A. Chile	Provided
12-A. Japan	Provided
12-A. Malaysia	Provided
12-A. Mexico	Provided
12-A. New Zealand	Provided
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14. Electronic Commerce	Provided
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15-A. Australia	Provided
15-A. Brunei Darussalam	Provided
15-A. Canada	Provided
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Schedule of Canada	Provided
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Program: DFAT

Topic: G'day USA

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Senator Wong

Question

Senator WONG: What is the cost of G'Day USA?

Mr Gosper: I do not have that information.

Senator WONG: We should not have let the department go. In future, we will have them stay and they can all stay together. Is anybody from DFAT here able to tell me what the cost of G'Day USA is? Try to be helpful—

Ms Lisson: We will take that on notice.

Senator WONG: I said I would be asking questions about the business weeks. Seriously. No-one can tell me what the cost of G'Day USA is? In future, Chair, I ask that Austrade and DFAT stay together and they just stay till it is all finished like we do in economics with ATO. You cannot tell me?

Ms Lisson: No. We can take that on notice.

Answer

The total cost of the 2014-2015 G'Day USA program was \$2,256,551. The 2015-16 program is currently underway, and it will only be possible to determine its full costs at the end of the financial year.

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Senator Wong

Question

CHAIR: What, if any, is the level of private sector involvement, from Australia's point of view, in G'DAY USA?

Mr Brown: By 'private sector involvement', do you mean: do they fund certain elements of the program—

CHAIR: Yes. Do they fund? Do they turn up? Who comes?

Mr Brown: They certainly turn up. I would have to take on notice the extent to which private sector participants contribute funding to the event. It depends very much on the event. For small seminars, for example, there may be instances where the private sectors are co-sponsoring or co-funding those arrangements.

CHAIR: So they are paying their own costs. Those who participate pay their own costs and all the on-costs?

Mr Brown: Of course they pay their own costs, but in terms of specific events I would need to check the funding arrangements.

Answer

All events held as part of the G'Day USA program include some element of private sector participation and almost all events involve private sector funding.

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Senator Gallacher

Question

Senator GALLACHER: On your website the 2014-15 figures for exports to the United States are \$13.3 billion and imports are \$30.397 billion. I have not gone back over the years, but how successful have all of these promotions and galas been in actually improving our export figures? Our dollar is in the right zone and they will buy certain products. What do all these galas actually deliver for Australia's net trading benefit? Could you give me some advice as to the improvement since you have been running these events.

Mr Brown: I would be happy to take that on notice and provide you with some data on export trends for the US since the entry into force of the US FTA.

Answer

In the financial year 2004-05 at the time of entry into force of the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement, total services (\$4.472 billion) and merchandise (\$9.46 billion) exports amounted to \$13.960 billion.

In financial year 2014-15, total services (\$7.117 billion) and merchandise (\$13.357 billion) exports had grown to \$20.474 billion.