

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
Supplementary Estimates - November 2013
ANSWER TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

Program 1: Support for the Governor-General and Official Activities

Outcome 1: The performance of the Governor-General's role is facilitated through the organisation and management of official duties, management and maintenance of the official household and property and administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system.

Topic: Media monitoring

Senator: Ludwig

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Type of Question: Written

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1. What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office from 7 September 2013 to date?
 - a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?
 - b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2013-14?
 - c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?

2. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date?
 - a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?
 - b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2013-14?
 - c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?

Answer:

1. N/A.

2. The total costs of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etc., provided to the Office from 7 September 2013 to 21 October 2013 was \$7,518.75.
 - a) All services were provided by Media Monitors.
 - b) The estimated budget for these services in 2013-14 is \$31,908.80.
 - c) Total amount spent from 7 September 2013 to 31 October 2013 was \$7,518.75.