Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES (SUPPLEMENTARY HEARINGS) 2013-2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome/Program:

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies.

Topic: Hire Cars

Senator: Senator Ludwig Question reference number: 186 Type of question: Written Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 17 January 2014

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Question:

- (1) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.
- (2) What are the reasons for hire car costs?

Answer:

- (1) The financial management information system used by the Office can only provide this data on a monthly basis without an unreasonable diversion of resources. The Office spend on hire cars from 1 September 2013 to 30 November 2013 were \$4,973.25.
- (2) The reasons for the hire cars spend were to discharge the Office's functions and work.