

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 18-22 November 2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Outcome/Program: 1.1 Prime Minister and Cabinet

Topic: Stationery

Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

What is the total cost expended on stationery since 18 September 2013? Is stationery purchased by the department/agency provided to the office of a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary? If so, please provide details of the stationery, including the total cost by Minister or Parliamentary Secretary.

Answer:

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has spent \$131,490.86 (GST exclusive) on stationery in the period between 1 September 2013 and 31 October 2013.

The total cost for stationery used by each Minister during the period 18 September to 31 October cannot be identified as stationery is ordered in bulk, sometimes for several Ministers, and then used over an extended period.