Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-13

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian National Audit Office

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Provision of Equipment

Senator: Ryan

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Question:

1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs.

- 2. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date? What were the running costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?
- 3. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.
- 4. Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012):
- 5. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.

Answer:

- 1. The ANAO does not provide Mobile Phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices
- 2. The ANAO does not provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices
- 3. The ANAO provides:

To SES officers:

a) HTC mobile phone - \$699 purchase price, \$5 per month service fee (inc \$5 calls), \$29/3GB or \$10/1GB per month data plan

or

b) Blackberry Torch - \$676 purchase price, \$40 per month service fee (inc \$5 calls)

Staff who use a laptop computer for official purposes are also supplied:

- a) Vasco Tokens \$90
- b) 4G Telstra cards \$249 purchase price, \$35/4GB shared data plan
- c) Encrypted thumb drives \$204
- 4. There have been no changes to these budget estimates since 2011-12 (May 2012)
- 5. The ANAO does not provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices