

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Sub Program All

Question No. 84

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 18 October 2010:

Regarding consultancies:

- a) Is the Department/agency up to date with its reporting requirements on the Government's tenders and contracts website? Are the figures available on that site correct?
- b) Have there been any changes in the consultancies planned for this calendar year since Budget Estimates 2010? If yes, have these been published in the Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not, why not? In each case, please identify the subject matter, duration, projected cost and method of procurement (ie open tender, direct source etc), and the name of consultant if known.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- a) The Department and its agencies are up to date with reporting requirements on the Government's tenders and contracts website. The figures available on the site are correct. The Australian Government Solicitor, the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation and the High Court are not required to publish information.
- b) A list of additional planned consultancy information since Budget Estimates 2010 is provided at **Attachment A**. This information is subject to alteration as these procurements are currently in development.