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1	Classification Branch	Barnett	Since 24 May 2010: a. How many periodicals with a serial declaration have been audited and how many failed the audit? Can you describe the process involved in the audit? b. How many items have been subject to a call-in notice? How have these items come to the attention of the board? What has been the response from the distributors? Can you provide a detailed breakdown by type of item and supply the names of the distributors?	10
2	Classification Branch	Barnett	How many unclassified pornographic magazines, movies and books were called in by the Classification Board since 2008? Please itemise the number of distributors affected and how many call-in notices apply to each of the distributors (including Gordon and Gotch), and how many of these notices the distributor has responded to.	10-12
3	Classification Branch	Barnett	What are the actual numbers for a 'no response' from distributors to call-in notices?	12
4	Classification Branch	Barnett	When and where was the 40-foot container of adult magazines seized?	13
5	Classification Branch	Barnett	Please provide specific details of which law enforcement officers have received additional and specialised training, regarding classification enforcement.	14
6	Classification Branch	Barnett	Please check whether the Attorney-General has anything further to add regarding the vacancies on the Classification Board.	15
7	Classification Branch	Humphries	In the last financial year, 714 films were classified in the X category. How does that figure compare approximately with five years ago (no exact figure required)? Please also provide a figure for the past 10 years of the number of films classified in that category and the number of films submitted for classification.	15
8	Classification Branch	Ludlam	What is the number of free eligible document submissions made by states and territories for the past five years? Please approach the States and Territories to get further information about matters they have undertaken through the process where they have the capacity to agree with a defendant what the classification of that material is. Please provide any additional information about the work going on in the South Australian unit.	16-17
9	Classification Branch	Ludlam	Do Tasmania and Queensland have their own internal way of doing things when they do not agree to the classification of material or do they still have to come through you?	18

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10	Classification Branch	McGauran Boswell	Regarding music videos: a. Have there been any steps towards, or is a review coming up, regarding classification of music videos and their imagery sexualisation? b. Are parents' concerns about the sexualised imagery in music videos addressed by the current guidelines which use the terms 'sexual references' and 'sexual activity'? Are these terms understood to include sexualised imagery? Are these music videos with this imagery being classified G or PG? c. How many complaints or inquiries has the Classification Board received about music videos?	26-27 Written
11	PCD	Barnett	Does the Government intend to appoint further commissioners to the commission?	32
12	AHRC	Barnett	Please provide the terms of reference for the report titled <i>Project consultation for intersections between the law, religion and human rights project</i> . In your response, please provide the procedures and actions you took to get the report by the due date.	33-34
13	AHRC	Barnett	Please provide an update of the eight supplementary reports to which you refer regarding the Freedom of Religion and Belief in the 21 st century project.	34
14	AHRC	Barnett	Please provide as much detail as possible regarding the use of the \$6.6 million funding increase. Where that money is spent on staffing, please outline the staff levels and functions and roles of the staff. Where the money is not spent on staffing, please outline what the funds will be used for.	36
15	AHRC	Ryan	Please provide any information you have about the source of the funds for the consultation on protection from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and sex and/or gender identity. Please indicate if any questions you asked about these funds were not answered by the Asia-Pacific Forum.	37
16	AHRC	Ryan Barnett	Please provide a copy of the commission-approved guidelines on accepting or not accepting funds from outside government.	37
17	AHRC	Barnett	Please provide further and better particulars regarding third parties for which you are undertaking a fee-for-service arrangement and/or other activity, and details of the nature and extent of those relationships.	38-39
18	AUSTRAC	Ryan	Please provide a list of the organisations and businesses which whom you met about the consultation about the proposal prior to the election.	49

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			[NB: 'Met' includes telephone calls, not just in-person. Senator has requested breakdown of each.]	
19	AUSTRAC	Parry	Please provide a broad high-level outline spanning the next few years of the program of \$24 million to develop intelligence systems.	50-51
20	AUSTRAC	Parry	Of the 17 AML/CTF applications outlined in your annual report which were not granted, not valid or withdrawn, can we please have a breakdown of those three categories.	51
21	AUSTRAC	Parry	If available, please provide any more information you have on the realignment of duties with the AFP, ACC, New South Wales Police Force, New South Wales Crime Commission and Centrelink regarding dissemination of suspect transaction reports and suspicious matter reports.	52
22	AIC/CRC	Ludlam	Please provide a list of the currently funded inquiries that the AIC and CRC are undertaking.	54
23	NNTT	Humphries	Regarding the client satisfaction survey conducted this year a. From what to what was the improvement in the ranking of the performance of tribunal members? b. Please provide a copy of the survey.	66
24	NNTT	Humphries	Please provide information on the native title claims in Western Australia which appear to stop neatly on the border with South Australia and the Northern Territory.	67
25	NNTT	Barnett	Please provide the consultancy report by Fellows Medlock and Associates on the review of the organisational structure.	67
26	NNTT	Barnett	Please provide your national report which refers to the time which it takes to dispose of native title claims.	69
27	ACBPS	Cash	When people arrive at Port Headland, what is the process undertaken in getting the people off the plane, and what occurs in getting them back onto the plane and then transporting them to Derby airport?	70
28	ACBPS	Barnett	On what date was the second container of objectionable material seized in Melbourne?	71
29	ACBPS	Barnett	In terms of boats in distress, can you provide an overview of the level and extent of this type of behaviour, including the number of instances? Are there more or fewer incidents of this type of behaviour than three years ago (2007)?	74

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30	ACBPS	Barnett	Can you confirm that there have been no instances where the boarding cards issued to SIEV are not understood?	75
31	ACBPS	Barnett	What are the protection measures that you undertake for and on behalf of your personnel to protect them from infectious diseases such as TB?	77
32	ACBPS	Barnett	How many acting officers of Customs employed part time are on Christmas Island? What is their role and function? Please also provide the role and function of the three full-time equivalents.	78-79
33	ACBPS	Barnett	Of the 17 Customs staff currently posted overseas, where are they posted and what are their roles?	79
34	ACBPS	Brandis	Please provide an estimates of the costs of the maintenance of bay class vessels for the balance of their service lives.	80
35	ACBPS	Brandis	After the close of tender, please provide the government's estimate of the cost of the replacement of the vessels with the eight Cape class vessels.	81
36	ACBPS	Brandis	Regarding tobacco seizures, please provide the tonnage per seizure, number of cigarettes and cost to revenue avoided be disaggregated for the months of May, June, July, August and September 2010.	82
37	ACBPS	Brandis	Please confirm there has been no increase to the resources dedicated to enforcement measures against tobacco smuggling.	82
38	ACBPS	Barnett	Please provide a map which details areas that are low risk for maritime people smuggling and areas that the Government is no longer providing surveillance?	83
39	ACBPS	Barnett	What is the extent and coverage of the aerial surveillance of the northern waters for the past 12 months?	83-4
40	ACBPS	Barnett	For air and sea cargo TEU, please specify the inspections and the examinations and the target and the difference between the two over the past financial year.	86
41	ACBPS	Barnett	Please provide figures for the past three financial years of the amount in weight of illicit drugs detected on air passengers, in cargo and mail, including a breakdown of the type of illicit drugs. In doing so, please advise if there has been an increase or decrease over that period of any particular illicit drug, particularly over the last 12 months, and from which countries they are largely coming.	86
42	ACBPS	Barnett	If 65 per cent of total vessels that arrived were greeted in 2009-10, what was the actual	86

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			number of vessels greeted against the total number of arrivals?	
43	AFP	Ludlam	How many people have specialised expertise in investigation of war crimes?	90
44	AFP	Humphries	Please table how many sworn AFP officers were deployed in core investigative capability in tackling domestic and transnational crime and combating activities of organised crime syndicates as of November 2007 and as of 18 October.	94
45	AFP	Humphries	Please confirm that none of the 15 people who resigned were offered voluntary redundancies before they made their decision to resign.	94
46	AFP	Barnett	If possible, please provide a copy of the Beaton Research and Consulting report review of the AFP legal area; the Inspired Solutions report 'Business analysis services for high-tech crime operations'; and the University of Queensland return on investment study for fraud investigations report.	105
47	AGS	Brandis	On which date was the advice regarding the RSPT requested by government, and given to government. Please also produce a full copy of the letter of instructions or other commissioned document by which the Treasury sought AGS's advice. Please also provide a full copy of the advice in respect of the now waived privilege.	110, 112
48	AGS	Brandis	At paragraph 50 of the advice, it references earlier advice dated 9 December 2009, reference 090833409. Please produce this advice.	112
49	AGS	Brandis	Please provide the Solicitor-General's advice, referenced at paragraph 55.	112
50	Family Court	Brandis	Please provide the minutes of the four meetings of the Family Law Advisory Group immediately prior to 20 August 2010.	115
51	FMC/FCoA	Brandis	Is Mr Foster aware that there was a meeting at some time after the federal election between the three heads of jurisdiction: the Chief Justice of the Federal Court, the Chief Justice of the Family Court and the Chief Federal Magistrate?	116
52	EMA	Humphries	Please provide the 'single comprehensive and coordinated plan' referred to in <i>A Secure and Fair Australia</i> regarding alignment of emergency management arrangements.	122-3
53	SID	Fifield	When did the final report and the government's response to the review of the effectiveness and efficiency of the transport standards under the Disability Discrimination Act first go to the Office of Best Practice Regulation?	126

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54	AJD	Trood	Regarding the intercountry adoption MOU with Ethiopia: a. Was an initial draft taken to Ethiopia for consideration by the Ethiopian government in June 2009? b. Have discussions on the contents of the MOU concluded with the state or territory governments?	127-8
55	AJD	Trood	With regard to active inquiries in Ethiopia through the DFAT consular official acting on your behalf, what have been the responses to them?	130
56	AJD	Trood	Was the Sister Zenebech Ophanage in Ethiopia among those considered as a partner orphanage? What is the status of that orphanage? Has its suitability been investigated? Please indicate whether it has been deemed suitable, and if not, why it is not.	130
57	ICCD	Ludlam	How many extradition requests has Australia received in the last financial year and how many of those requests were granted? Please break down the number of individuals extradited who were Australian citizens, Australian residents or visitors from elsewhere. Please also provide a breakdown for that time period of any request that might have occurred outside our formal treaty framework extradition treaties.	134
58	CrJD	Ludlam	Is the 2007 election commitment to close the immunity gap for suspected war criminals still a priority of the government? What steps have been made since November 2007?	135
59	SID	Barnett	Regarding the David Jones sexual harassment case: a. What has been learnt from this case? b. What is the average payout where damages are awarded for a quadriplegic claim where there is clear negligence on the part of the defendant and what is the average amount of damages awarded for a sexual harassment claim in Australia?	135
60	AJD	Barnett	Please provide the agenda items for each of the meetings the ARC has held this year, including the upcoming November meeting.	136-7
61	CLD	Barnett	Regarding legal costs across portfolios: a. Please provide the latest figures of legal fees expended by the Australian government across the portfolio, by agency and by department, compared against figures previously provided (over the previous few years—three if possible). b. Please identify the agencies which did not provide their information this year by the required date of 30 August.	138

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62	AFP	Trood	<p>Detachment 88—Indonesian elite counter-terrorism unit:</p> <p>a. In response to Questions on Notice in February 2010, the AFP revealed its contribution to the counter-terrorism program in South-East Asia for 2010 was \$16.2 million. Has that figure changed?</p> <p>b. What is the \$16.2 million being spent on?</p> <p>c. According to “Mr Drennan—There is a range of activities that take place across South- East Asia.Starting in Indonesia, there is a regional cooperation team. We work very closely with the Indonesian national police in targeting terrorism—providing them with support in a range of different areas from law enforcement intelligence analysis through to technical assistance and supporting their investigations through training of their members. We do a significant amount of training through the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement, which is also in Indonesia but not in Jakarta as the name suggests. Since the establishment of that there has been over 5,500 people from not only Indonesia but throughout South-East Asia trained in a variety of different aspects of law enforcement, which include investigations, intelligence, forensics and all the way through to sharia law. In Indonesia we have also established a DNA laboratory which we provide ongoing support to. It is run by the Indonesian national police, and that has a very strong disaster victim identification capacity.”</p> <p>What role does Australia play with training/assisting Indonesian counter-terrorism authorities?</p> <p>d. Does the AFP provide financial assistance/training/equipment to Indonesia’s counter-terrorism unit, Detachment 88? If so, what?</p> <p>e. Is the Department aware of recent claims in an article “Australia paying troops who ‘torture’ “in the <i>Sydney Morning Herald</i> on 13 September 2010 which claims abuse of prisoners by the Indonesia’s elite counter-terrorism unit, Densus (Detachment 88) which reportedly receives millions of dollars from Australia each year?</p> <p>f. Does the AFP monitor the organisations such as Detachment 88 that it provides assistance to? How?</p> <p>g. Has the AFP ever been aware or concerned about the activities of Detachment 88?</p> <p>h. Did the Australian Government recently send a letter regarding its plan to investigate the case? Are you able to table that document?</p>	Written

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			i. Has an Australian official been sent to investigate the allegations raised in the article? What has been the outcome?	
63	AFP	Trood	<p>AFP guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. What are the current guidelines for the AFP to protect Australians at risk of overseas death penalties? b. How do they offer protection for Australians? c. What impact do they have on operational decisions? d. When were they introduced? e. Would these rules have protected the three Australians currently facing the death penalty in Bali? 	Written
64	NSLPD	Trood	<p>Home Grown Terrorism Measures</p> <p>In response the questions on notice the Attorney-General's Department indicated that it "will undertake significant research and consultation to inform the appropriate allocation of the \$9.7m in funding"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. What has occurred? b. How much has been spent? c. Where has it been spent? d. What are the specific programs? <p>The Department also refers to "arrange consultations directly with communities through a series of community engagement forums. The Attorney General has already met with community leaders in Sydney as part of this consultation and further consultations are proposed across the country."</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e. When did the consultations occur? f. Who did the Attorney General meet with? g. What was the outcome of the meetings? h. Where are the further consultations proposed? <p>The answers also state "The intention is to fund new activities aimed at countering violent extremism, and drawing together of existing programs..."</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Is it still an intention to create these programs? What are they? When will they begin? 	Written

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			<p>I note that 2 additional staff will be employed under the funding to counter violent extremism in Australia?</p> <p>j. Why are only two additional staff being employed to counteract the increase in terrorist threat from people born or raised in Australia?</p> <p>k. Is this indicative of the “real” level of threat?</p>	
65	ASIO	Trood	<p>a. How many security assessments has ASIO conducted in the year-to-date for asylum seekers? How does this compare with previous years?</p> <p>b. What is the average processing time for assessments? How does this compare with previous years?</p> <p>c. How many asylum seekers are waiting for ASIO has been unable to decide their security status? Where are these asylum seekers from?</p> <p>d. How many ASIO officials are involved in security checks on asylum seekers?</p> <p>e. In May, David Irvine stated “We’ve had to rationalize our activities in other areas.” Is ASIO still intending to “rationalize” to undertake the volume of assessments necessary?</p> <p>f. Has ASIO requested extra resourcing to combat this issue? Have those resources been provided?</p>	Written
66	AFP	Abetz	<p>I refer to Questions PM 33a-c. Both PM33 b and 33c answers refer to the question as a matter for Attorney General’s Department and the Australian Federal Police. PM 33a can also be referred to AG’s and the AFP.</p> <p>Did PM&C refer the questions to the Department and the AFP?</p> <p>If not, could the AG’s Department and the AFP answer the original questions asked on 9 July 2010 PM33a-c?</p>	Written
67	Federal Court	Abetz	Hobart Federal Court Registry:	Written

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			<p>a. How many staff were employed in the Federal Court Registrar and based in Hobart each year since the inception of that office in Hobart (as records allow)? How many staff resigned each year who were employed by the Federal Court Registrar and based in Hobart?</p> <p>b. How many staff were employed by the Federal Court Registrar in Hobart in 2006/2007? How many of those staff were based in Hobart?</p> <p>c. How many staff were employed by the Federal Court Registrar in Hobart each financial year including and since 06/07 to date? Please include in the detail of each financial year how many staff were based in Hobart. And also, how many staff resigned each year.</p> <p>d. Is it a fact that out of six staff employed by the FCR in Hobart that only one remains employed? What are the conditions of the remaining employee's/s' employment? Are these employees out-sourced and/or not based in Hobart?</p> <p>e. Is there an explanation for the rapid decrease in staffing levels?</p> <p>f. Please list the reasons for resignations of staff over the last two financial years. It has been reported that there is a distinct change of culture within the organisation – if so, could you please explain?</p>	
68	AHRC	Fifield	<p>In relation to the Telephone Voting System implemented by the AEC to assist blind and vision impaired people to vote in the 2010 Federal Election:</p> <p>a. Were you satisfied with the operation of the system?</p> <p>b. Has your office received any complaints about the operation of the telephone voting system? Please provide details of any complaints</p> <p>c. Will you be advocating to the AEC to review its services for blind and vision impaired voters with a view to improving and expanding them at the next federal election?</p>	Written
69	OIL	Abetz	<p>At the last Estimates hearing on Monday 24 May 2010, the Committee suggested that the Attorney-General needed to obtain an independent third party legal opinion on Elizabeth and Middleton Reefs (Islands) in order to satisfy the Government's Risk Assessment Policy. Has this been done and what further actions, if any, have been taken to investigate the risk to the Commonwealth's interests in this matter?</p>	Written
70	PCD	Barnett	<p>If there are any outstanding questions on notice from Budget Estimates 2010, please</p>	Written

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			explain why.	
71	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media, transcripts etc provided to a. the Minister's office b. the Department and its agencies in the 2009/10 financial year? Which agency or agencies provided these services?	Written
72	PITD	Barnett	a. Has the Department instituted any policies or protocols that restrict or deny staff the use of YouTube, online social media (such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter) and access to online discussion forums and blogs? If yes, please explain what restrictions have been put in place. Why were these restrictions put in place? If no, why not (for example, there may be legitimate reasons for some staff to access these sites for legitimate purposes)? b. Are staff utilising these sites during work hours? c. If yes, how many hours are spent on these sites? d. What time are these sites most accessed (eg, lunch time)? e. Will measures be introduced to restrict access to these sites? [NB: whole-of-government response being coordinated by Dept of Finance & Dereg]	Written
73	PCD	Barnett	a. Did the Government, Minister or his office return any documents to the Department once the caretaker conventions began? Did these documents include Ministerial submissions, briefs or notes? b. How many unread, unsigned or undealt with Ministerial submissions, briefs or notes were sent back? c. What was the date of the earliest such document that was sent back from the Minister's office and the date of the last? d. Did the Minister or his office request prior to the calling of the election that no more submissions, briefs or notes be sent?	Written
74	FPD	Barnett	Were any of the government's election promises in the Attorney-General's portfolio costed before the election was called by the Department or Treasury or Finance? If so,	Written

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			which ones? Provide details of what work was done.	
75	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	Had your Department or any agency in your portfolio provided information on any of the government's election promises in your portfolio to the Government before the election was called? Was any work done on formulating any of the Government's election commitments? If so, which ones? Provide details of what work was done.	Written
76	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	a. What is the status of each election commitment from the 2007 election within the portfolio? b. Which 2007 election commitments are experiencing slippages? Why? Where relevant, what are the revised implementation dates? What are the implications of this slippage? c. Are there any 2007 election commitments that will not be implemented? If yes, please provide details. Were departmental resources provided to implement these commitments? How much? What will happen to the funding now?	Written
77	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	a. What is the status of each election commitment from the 2010 election within the portfolio? Please provide a list. b. Has implementation of the 2010 election commitments within the portfolio commenced? If yes, provide details. If not, why not? c. Will additional departmental resources be required to implement 2010 election commitments within your portfolio? If yes, provide details. If no, why not? If unable to provide an answer please explain why. d. How will the election commitments in your portfolio be offset? Will your portfolio be required to offset the new spending in your portfolio?	Written
78	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	a. What type of work did your portfolio engage in during the campaign? b. Did you receive any request for information from the Government, your portfolio Ministers or any other Ministers?	Written
79	PCD	Barnett	a. Will the Department be releasing its Incoming Government Brief ('Red Book')? If yes, when and why? If no, why not? b. Will the Department be releasing its Incoming Government Brief ('Blue Book')? If yes, when and why? If no, why not?	Written
80	PORTFOLIO FPD	Barnett	a. Has the Attorney-General's portfolio started implementing the Government's savings election commitment of maintaining the annual efficiency dividend on departmental	Written

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			<p>expenses at 1.25 per cent? If not, why not? If yes, give details.</p> <p>b. Will any agencies in your portfolio be seeking exemption to implementing the efficiency dividend?</p> <p>c. How do you think you will implement it? Give examples of the types of cuts you will make (eg no more pot plants in the departmental buildings).</p> <p>d. Will there be cuts to staff? If yes, give details.</p>	
81	PORTFOLIO PITD	Barnett	<p>a. What is the total expenditure on staffing for the Department and for all portfolio agencies? What is the SES and non-SES breakdown?</p> <p>b. What are the current staffing levels of SES and non-SES officers?</p> <p>c. How many SES were employed in your Department and portfolio agencies on 10 May 2010?</p> <p>d. How many SES were employed in your Department and portfolio agencies as of today (18 October)?</p> <p>e. What is the breakdown by each level (each SES band, each Executive Level and each APS band)?</p> <p>f. What is the gender breakdown by each level (each SES band, each Executive Level band and each APS band)?</p> <p>g. What is the breakdown by location for each level (each SES band, each Executive Level band and each APS band)?</p> <p>h. What is the breakdown by each level of ongoing staff and non-ongoing staff (each SES band, each Executive Level band and each APS band)?</p> <p>i. What has been the general staffing trend in your department and portfolio agencies since the 2007 election (for example SES numbers and recruitment has increased by X per cent because of Y).</p> <p>j. What have been the changes in staffing levels since Budget Estimates 2010? Why have these changes occurred? What have been the Budgetary implications? In the case of reductions in staff numbers, how have these reductions been absorbed by the Department? What functions these staff performed have been sacrificed and why?</p> <p>k. Are there expected changes to current staffing levels over the next 12 months? If yes, provide details including a breakdown of each level staff (each SES band, each Executive Level band and each APS band) detailing the changes. Will this be different</p>	Written

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			<p>to what was reported in the 2010-11 Budget?</p> <p>l. Has there been a target for staff reductions to achieve savings? What is that target and what strategy is being implemented to achieve this? Will staff reductions be used to achieve the Government's election commitment to maintain the 1.25 per cent efficiency dividend?</p> <p>m. Have any voluntary or involuntary redundancies been offered to staff? If so, how have staff been identified for such offers? Are there such plans for the future?</p> <p>n. How many permanent staff recruited since Budget Estimates 2010? What level are these staff? Where is their location?</p> <p>o. Since Budget Estimates 2010, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</p> <p>p. Have staffing numbers been reduced as a result of the current efficiency dividend and/or other budget cuts since Budget Estimates 2010? If so, where and at what level?</p> <p>q. Are there any plans for staff reduction? If so, please advise details i.e. reduction target, how this will be achieved, services/programs to be cut etc.</p> <p>r. If your Department/agency has been identified in the 2010 election as delivering efficiencies (savings), how will these be delivered? (for example, savings commitments included reducing program funding, rationalising grants etc how will these impact the department and staffing) .</p> <p>s. What changes are underway or planned for graduate recruitment, cadetships or similar programs? If reductions or increases are envisaged please explain including reasons, target numbers etc.</p>	
82	PCD	Barnett	<p>a. Are there plans to public a full suite of electoral reports on the Department's website? If not, why not? If so, when? What data will be included?</p> <p>b. Did the Department prepare electorate level reports for the Government Ministers for the 2010 election?</p> <p>c. What data is included in these reports? How often is this updated? Why is this material not publicly available?</p> <p>d. Please provide a copy of the latest reports.</p> <p>e. Has electoral specific data been used by the current Government in any grants scheme</p>	Written

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			since November 2007?	
83	PORTFOLIO FPD	Barnett	<p>a. How much has the Department and portfolio agencies spent on consultancy services since Budget Estimates 2010? For each of these consultancies and current consultancies, please identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the rationale and its intended use, the duration and cost of the contract, and the method of procurement (ie open tender, direct source, etc).</p> <p>b. How can the Department/agency justify this expenditure, that is, why the Department or its agencies could not have undertaken this work themselves?</p> <p>c. How many consultancies have been undertaken or are underway since Budget Estimates 2010? Please identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the contract, and the method of procurement (ie open tender, direct source etc). Please also include total value for all consultancies, including figure for total spending on consultancies and also value of contracts rewarded. Provide total figures since Budget Estimates 2010 and a breakdown on these figures for Financial Year 2008/09 and 2009/10.</p>	Written
84	PORTFOLIO FPD	Barnett	<p>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?</p> <p>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.</p>	Written
85			Blank (merged into 83).	
86	PORTFOLIO FPD	Barnett	<p>a. Has the Department/agency employed Hawker Britton since November 2007 in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>b. Has the Department/agency employed Shannon's Way in any capacity since November 2007 or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>c. Has the Department/agency employed John Utting and UMR Research Group in any capacity since November 2007 or is it considering employing John Utting and UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details.</p>	Written

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			<p>d. Has the Department/agency employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity since November 2007 or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>e. Has the Department/agency employed Cutting Edge in any capacity since November 2007 or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>f. Has the Department/agency employed Ikon Communications in any capacity since November 2007 or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>g. Has the Department/agency employed CMAX Communications in any capacity since November 2007 or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>h. Has the Department/agency employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity since November 2007 or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>i. Has the Department/agency employed McKinsey and Company in any capacity since November 2007 or is it considering employing McKinsey and Company? If yes, provide details.</p>	
87	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	<p>Advertising and marketing:</p> <p>a. How much has the Department and portfolio agencies spent on advertising and marketing since Budget Estimates. Please provide a justification of expenditure.</p> <p>b. Could the Department provide a complete list of current contracts? Please indicate the rationale for each service provided and its intended use.</p> <p>c. What communications programs has the Department and its portfolio agencies undertaken since Additional Estimates and what communications programs are planned to be undertaken? For each program, what is the total spend?</p>	Written
88	FPD	Barnett	<p>a. Could the Department please provide a list of all discretionary grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants since Budget Estimates 2010? Please provide details of the recipients, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.</p> <p>b. Has the Department complied with interim requirements to the publication of discretionary grants?</p>	Written

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89	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	<p>a. How many reports have been commissioned by the Government in your portfolio since Budget Estimates 2010? Please provide details of each report, including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.</p> <p>b. How much did each report cost? How many Departmental staff were involved in each report, and at what level?</p> <p>c. What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</p>	Written
90	PCD	Barnett	<p>a. What is the Department's hospitality spend since Budget Estimates 2010? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>b. For each Minister's office, please detail total hospitality spend FYTD. Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</p>	Written
91	PCD	Barnett	<p>a. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?</p> <p>b. What is the gender ratio of appointments made to boards since Budget Estimates 2010?</p> <p>c. Is the portfolio implementing the Government target of 40 per cent women appointed to Boards?</p>	Written
92	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	<p>a. Has the portfolio received any advice from the Government or any other source on how to respond to FOI requests?</p> <p>b. How many FOI requests has the Department received?</p> <p>c. How many have been granted or denied?</p> <p>d. How many conclusive certificates have been issued in relation to FOI requests?</p> <p>e. Has the Department received any FOI requests for its Incoming Government Brief ('Red Book')? If yes, when and will it be released?</p> <p>f. Has the Department received any FOI request for its Incoming Government Brief ('Blue Book')? If yes, when and will it be released?</p>	Written
93	PCD	Barnett	<p>a. What was the Minister's travel and expenses for the Community Cabinet meetings held since Budget Estimates 2010?</p>	Written

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			b. How many Ministerial staff and Departmental officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meeting? c. What was the total cost of this travel? d. What was the total cost to the Department and to the Minister's office?	
94	PCD	Barnett	a. How much time is spent preparing papers/submissions for Cabinet and Sub-Cabinet Committee meetings? b. How often must papers/submissions for Cabinet and Sub-Cabinet Committee meetings be redrafted or relodged? Please provide example of why this would happen (ie last minute policy changes or redate papers due to items not being discussed when initially scheduled).	Written
95	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	a. What is the total number of reviews both completed and ongoing in the portfolio since Budget Estimates 2010? b. Please provide a breakdown of reviews completed since Budget Estimates 2010 including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. when those reviews were provided to Government ii. Estimated cost of producing each review (and total cost) and iii. If the Government has responded to the review or information about when the Government has indicated it will/will not respond to the review. c. How many reviews are ongoing? d. How many reviews have been completed since Budget Estimates? e. What further reviews are planned in the portfolio/agency? f. Will any of these reviews cease due to the 2010 election?	Written
96	PORTFOLIO FPD	Barnett	a. In relation to the 2009-10 Financial Year and the 2010-11 Financial Year to date, has the portfolio paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (ie within 30 days)? If not, why not, and what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached. b. In relation to the 2009-10 Financial Year and the 2010-11 Financial Year to date, for accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and, if so, how much has been paid by the portfolio for the current financial year and the previous	Written

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			<p>financial year?</p> <p>c. In relation to the 2009-10 Financial Year and the 2010-11 Financial Year to date, where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>	
97	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	<p>a. What are the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (ie special type of paper, envelopes)?</p> <p>b. What are the cost of these items? Is the portfolio paying for these?</p>	Written
98	PITD/PCD	Barnett	<p>a. Please detail what changes have occurred in the portfolio as a result of the Administrative Arrangements Orders published on 14 September 2010.</p> <p>b. Were there any costs associated with these changes (for examples changes to Departmental signage or whether refurbishment or additional space will need to be eased to accommodate new staff? Alternatively, will agencies be left with empty office space due to loss of staff)? Please provide details.</p> <p>c. Were there any staff changes as a result (staff transferring to or from your agency)? If yes, please detail what the staff changes were, including a breakdown of changes to each SES band, each Executive Level band, and each APS band.</p>	Written
99	PITD/PCD	Barnett	<p>a. Please detail what changes have occurred in the portfolio as a result of the Administrative Arrangements Orders published on 14 October 2010.</p> <p>b. Were there any costs associated with these changes (for examples changes to Departmental signage or whether refurbishment or additional space will need to be eased to accommodate new staff? Alternatively, will agencies be left with empty office space due to loss of staff)? Please provide details.</p> <p>c. Were there any staff changes as a result (staff transferring to or from your agency)? If yes, please detail what the staff changes were, including a breakdown of changes to each SES band, each Executive Level band, and each APS band.</p>	Written
100	PITD	Barnett	Please describe what, if any, Administrative Arrangements Orders occurred in your portfolio between November 2007 and July 2010. Please detail the costs associated with these.	Written
101	PORTFOLIO PCD	Barnett	<p>a. Does the portfolio subscribe to pay TV (for example, Foxtel)? If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.</p> <p>b. Does the portfolio subscribe to newspapers? If yes, please provide the reason why,</p>	Written

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			<p>the cost and what newspapers. c. Does the portfolio subscribe to magazines? If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines.</p>	
102	PORTFOLIO FPD	Barnett	<p>The 2009-10 Mid Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook detailed a whole-of-government coordinated procurement arrangements for travel and related services. a. How has this applied to the portfolio? Please explain that changes that have occurred to the portfolio in relation to its travel and related services. b. Is purchasing of travel and related services less expensive under the new arrangements? c. Is purchasing of travel and related services more efficient under the new arrangements? d. How much did the portfolio spend on travel in 2008-09, 2009-10 and to date this financial year? e. How have staff within the portfolio found the new arrangements? For example, is it more efficient to arrange travel?</p>	Written
103	PORTFOLIO FPD	Barnett	<p>The 2009-10 Mid Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook detailed the establishment of Commonwealth Property Management Framework. a. How has this applied to your portfolio? b. Has the implementation of this Framework lead to savings in the portfolio. Please provide details.</p>	Written
104	PORTFOLIO FPD	Barnett	<p>The 2009-10 Mid Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook detailed whole-of-government departmental efficiencies. a. How has this applied to the portfolio? b. Please provide details of how these efficiencies will be achieved. Please provide specific examples. c. Will the implementation of the Government's election commitment to maintain the 1.25 per cent efficiency dividend impact on your portfolio's ability to meet the efficiencies outlined in the 2009-10 Mid Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook? d. Have any voluntary or involuntary redundancies been offered to staff to meet the 2009-10 Mid Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook detailed whole-of-government departmental efficiencies in your portfolio? If s, please provide details. Are there such</p>	Written

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			plans for the future?	
105	CrJD	Colbeck	<p>a. What requests/submissions has the Department had from local governments in Tasmania for assistance under the Safer Suburbs program since 1 January 2009? What was the size of each request?</p> <p>b. What representations has the Department had from members of parliament in Tasmania for assistance under the Safer Suburbs program since 1 January 2009? What was the size of each request in these representations?</p> <p>c. What is the timeframe of funding CCTVs in Devonport through this program, broken down by financial year?</p> <p>d. Can you please provide the timeframe of future funding in any other place in Tasmanian through this program, broken down by financial year?</p>	Written
106	PCD	Fielding	<p>a. Did the department prepare a post-election brief for a returned Labor Government (the so-called 'Red Book')?</p> <p>b. Can the department provide the committee with a copy of this brief? c. If not, can the department outline its reasons for refusing to provide a copy of this brief?</p> <p>d. If the department will not provide a copy of this brief because it contains confidential or sensitive information, can the department provide a redacted copy of this brief as was done by the Treasury Department?</p> <p>e. Has the Minister given any instructions to the department regarding the release of this brief and if so, what were these instructions?</p> <p>f. Did the department prepare a post-election brief for a newly elected Coalition Government (the 'Blue Book')?</p> <p>g. Can the department provide the committee with a copy of this brief? h. If not, can the department outline its reasons for refusing to provide a copy of this brief?</p> <p>i. If the department will not provide a copy of this brief because it contains confidential or sensitive information, can the department provide a redacted copy of this brief as was done by the Treasury Department?</p> <p>j. Has the Minister given any instructions to the department regarding the release of this brief and if so, what were these instructions?</p>	Written

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107	AFP	Humphries	<p>I refer to the article in the Sunday Canberra Times on 17 October 2010 headed "Cop Out":</p> <p>a. How many AFP staff have been sacked or dismissed in total over the last 12 months?</p> <p>b. How big is the Professional Standards Unit?</p> <p>c. Is the Professional Standards Unit based in Canberra? If not, where are they based?</p> <p>d. The three staff that are reported to have been sacked, can you please advise what positions and how much service each of these officers had attained?</p>	Written
108	AFP	Humphries	<p>a. What was the duration of the stay of the AFP officers sent to the Delhi Commonwealth Games and what was their cost?</p> <p>b. What is the total cost of the latest deployment of 16 AFP officers to Afghanistan?</p> <p>c. Have there been further redundancies of AFP personnel since the last estimates hearing in May 2010?</p> <p>d. What are the figures of AFP officers deployed to Christmas Island as of today (18 October)?</p> <p>e. Is there a foreseeable need for an increase in AFP officers to Christmas Island? If so, why?</p>	Written
109	AFP	Humphries	<p>a. Regarding the AFP officers that deal with people smugglers that arrive on illegal boats, have there been any instances of officers contracting illnesses or diseases from arrivals?</p> <p>b. How many officers are in the People Smuggling Strike Team and where are they currently located/posted?</p> <p>c. How many arrests of boat crew members have been made over the past 6 months?</p> <p>d. Since the May 2010 Estimates, on how many occasions have AFP officers been called in to assist in disturbances at the Christmas Island detention centre?</p> <p>e. There were reports in the Sydney Morning Herald (<i>AFP faces hard job to train corrupt candidates</i>, Dylan Welch, 12.10.10) that the AFP will be training Afghan police who are 'corrupt, obtain money from the Afghan drug trade and are often sexually abused or sexual abusers.' What is the AFP's position on this report? Was this known to the AFP? If so, how long has it been known for?</p> <p>f. Reports in the Australian on 29.9.10 (Paul Maley, <i>Authorities on alert for influx of</i></p>	Written

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			<i>Tamil Tiger asylum seekers</i>) suggest there is a people smuggling venture organised by former members of the Tamil Tigers trying to transport Sri Lankan asylum seekers to Canada and Australia. Have the AFP received information that this is the case?	
110	AFP	Humphries	a. With the installation of a situation room at Parliament House, has the AFP had to make any adjustments to its operations to cater to the new situation room? b. If so, what changes have been made and what is the cost for each change?	Written
111	AFP	Humphries	a. How many staff are employed in the Ministerial Support unit? b. At what level are they employed c. At what level is the Departmental Liaison Officer(s) to the Minister's Office employed? d. Has the Australian Federal Police provided any funding for, or directly, any stationary or printed material to the Minister's office since November 2007? e. If so, can I please have a breakdown by cost, date and the material?	Written
112	AFP	Humphries	a. How many Departmental Credit Cards are currently on issue? b. At what level are each of the holders of these cards employed? c. What is the hospitality spend for the last financial year? d. What is the hospitality spend for the financial year to date? e. Has the AFP made any investigation into possible Fringe Benefits Tax liabilities rising out of the paid parking lot in Kingston? f. If so, What is the nature of the advice that has been received? g. What is the liability? h. Will costs be passed onto employees? i. Will any staff still be able to access free parking? If so, who?	Written
113	AFP	Humphries	a. On 14 October 2010 the AFP and Customs announced a cocaine seizure of 464kg from a yacht in Queensland. How many people were arrested in connection with this seizure and were the linked to a larger organised trafficking syndicate? b. Can you provide figures for illicit drug seizures over the past financial year?	Written

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114	AFP	Humphries	Reports in the Canberra Times (Nino, Bucci, <i>ACT Policing looking for local solutions to officer turnover</i> , 24.9.10): The report suggests there is a high staff turnover, with one in three leaving within four years. What are the reasons behind such a high turnover? How long has this been a problem?	Written
115	AFP	Humphries	There have been reports from the Australian Crime Commission about serious criminality on our wharves. From the viewpoint of the AFP, how serious is the problem and what needs to be done to fix security gaps?	Written
116	AFP	Humphries	<p>a. Can you give me an update on the AFP's dogs, how many dogs are currently enlisted within the AFP?</p> <p>b. Can you please provide me with a breakdown of how many dogs there are exercising each duty?</p>	Written
117	AFP	Humphries	<p>Annual Report:</p> <p><i>General:</i></p> <p>a. When was the annual report finalized?</p> <p><i>Staffing:</i></p> <p>b. On page 2, you refer to 2 new portfolios. Can I please have a break down of all staff broken down by portfolio and by sworn and non-sworn officers?</p> <p><i>Reviews</i></p> <p>c. Following the Clarke Inquiry, Street Review, Beale Review, the Layers of Aviation Security Review, Counter Terrorism White Paper and the Aviation White Paper, can you please provide, on notice, how the AFP is responding to each recommendation rising out of these reports?</p> <p><i>Security Clearance:</i></p> <p>d. (pp. 158) I see that 68% of staff currently hold a National Security Clearance. Can you please provide on notice a summary of how many people fit into each category of clearance?</p> <p>e. I understand that your new facility is a 'secret' level facility is that correct?</p> <p>f. How do staff working in a secret environment who only have, say, 'site access only'</p>	Written

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			clearance perform their duties? g. Have staff duties been changed for persons who have failed to achieve the appropriate level of clearance? h. What would happen to a staff member who failed to achieve the appropriate level of clearance? <i>Media:</i> i. (pp.163) Under the description of the AFP's national media and their dealings with stakeholders, it lists one of the stakeholders as the Prime Minister's Office. What is the nature of the relationship between the AFP and the PMO? j. Has the AFP, at any time since November 2007, sought clearance to make media statements or to hold media events from the Prime Minister's office? i. If so, what was the nature of each request? ii. Who was the request directed to? iii. What was the outcome of the request? iv. Can all correspondence/ emails between the AFP's Media Unit and the Prime Minister's Office please be provided? k. Who is the principal contact for the AFP's Media Unit in the Prime Minister's office?	
118	EMA	Humphries	Please provide the operational and organisational cost for the proposed visit by the President of the United States.	Written
119	ACBPS	Cash	Can you provide a more detailed explanation as to why Port Hedland is able to undertake the Customs processing but Derby is not, so an explanation can be provided to the shire what the technical reasons are in terms of section 15 of the Customs Act. What is the turnaround cost of having to stop the plane in Port Hedland to unload the people, put them back on the plane, and then have the plane en route to Derby?	70
120	ACBPS	Barnett	Please provide a list of diseases that have been detected in asylum seekers arriving by boat.	77
121	SID	Cash	With reference to the 2010/2011 Budget and in particular the proposed new measures in respect of Reducing Violence Against Women, what amounts have been allocated and what progress has been made to date in respect of the following new measures: a. Access to Justice – legal assistance priorities b. Legal Aid	Written

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			c. Community Legal Centres d. Indigenous Legal Services e. Addressing Domestic Violence – continuing training for health workers in regional and rural areas f. Closing the Gap – Strengthening Indigenous Communities – Community Safety g. National Binge Drinking Strategy – expansion	