PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Health

Senate Select Committee on COVID-19

Australian Government's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Written question received 3 July 2020

PDR Number: IQ20-000388

Question Subject: Translated languages for the COVID-Safe app:

Question Type: Written

Senator: Katy Gallagher

Question:

Has the COVID-Safe app been translated into any languages other than English? If not why not, and if yes please list the languages.

Answer:

As at Monday, 6 July 2020, the COVIDSafe App is available in the following languages:

- English
- Mandarin
- Cantonese
- Vietnamese
- Korean
- Arabic

Further, The Department of Health is working with the Digital Transformation Agency to introduce the next set of languages for the App which include Greek, Punjabi, Turkish and Italian.

In order to enhance user experience and accessibility, information about COVID-19 and the COVIDSafe app is available in 63 languages on the Department of Home Affairs website. The COVIDSafe privacy policy is also available in 63 languages on the Department of Health website.

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What total amount has this agency expended on the development, implementation, update and assessment of the COVID-Safe app. Can all related Austender contract notice numbers be provided.

Answer:

Contract with Maddocks for legal services in respect of the Privacy Impact Assessment \$46,421 (including GST)

Austender contract reference is CN 3666202-A1

Contract with Maddocks for Privacy Impact Assessment \$50,930 (including GST)

Austender contract reference is CN 3675294

Engagement of the Australian Government Solicitor (AGS) for advice \$9,368.50 (GST not applicable)
Austender contract reference is CN3690916