

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015, 25 February 2015**

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**OUTCOME:** 10 - Sport and Recreation

**Topic:** Football

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Di Natale, Richard

**Question:**

In total, Australian taxpayers spent \$15 million on services from Andreas Abold and Fedor Radmann (who was subcontracted to Abold), a third of the total World Cup bid budget. The amount, originally budgeted at \$11 million, increased by \$4 million with no explanation. How can Australian taxpayers be confident that all of this money was used ethically and should the FFA be required to explain exactly why they paid such huge sums to people who have been reported as touting themselves as a conduit for securing the vote of an ExCo member?

**Answer:**

These numbers are not accurate.

Consultancy services (including but not limited to services provided by Mr Andreas Abold and his sub-contractor) were originally budgeted at \$11.37 million. A total of \$6.72 million was paid against this budget line item in total by FFA.