

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Additional Estimates Hearings February 2014

Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 356

Program No. Corporate

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Briefings for other parties

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Non-Government parties other than the Australian Labor Party? If yes, please include:
 - a. How are briefings requests commissioned?
 - b. What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
 - c. Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.
 - d. Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.
 - e. How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
2. Which Non-Government Parties or Independents, excluding the Australian Labor Party have requested briefings and/or information?

Answer:

1. From 1 November 2013 to 31 January 2014, the Department did not provide any relevant briefings.
2. No such requests were received.