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**Question No: 231(k)**

**National Collecting Institutions**

**Hansard Ref: Written, 19/02/2016**

**Topic: Office Plants**

**Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:**

National Cultural Institutions

- Australian National Maritime Museum
- National Film and Sound Archive
- National Gallery of Australia
- National Library of Australia
- National Museum of Australia
- National Portrait Gallery
- The Museum of Australian Democracy

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any office plants?
  - (a) If so, list these
  - (b) If so, list the total cost for these items
  - (c) If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
  - (d) If so, where were these purchased
  - (e) If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased
  - (f) If so, what is the current location for these items?

**Answer:**

**Australian National Maritime Museum**

1. No.

**National Film and Sound Archive**

1. No.

**National Gallery of Australia**

1. No.

**National Library of Australia**

1. The National Library of Australia leased 10 plants in the period 14 September 2015 to 9 February 2016.
  - (a) Main entrance foyer -3 x 650mm planters and 2 x 450mm planters. Level 1 office area - 5 x small planters
  - (b) Total cost is \$246 per month (excluding GST)

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- (c)
  - i. 650mm planters in foyer \$39.79 per month each (excluding GST)
  - ii. 450mm planters in foyer \$31.84 per month each (excluding GST)
  - iii. small planters in office area \$13.79 per month each (excluding GST)
- (d) Foyer plants supplied by Living Simply Pty Ltd. Office plants supplied by Capital Indoor Plant Hire Pty Ltd
- (e) Plants were procured via direct sourcing.
- (f) Plants are located in the main entry foyer and level 1 office area of the main Library building in Parkes ACT.

**National Museum of Australia**

- 1. No.

**National Portrait Gallery**

- 1. No.

**The Museum of Australian Democracy**

- 1. No.