Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Additional Estimates Hearings June 2014

Communications Portfolio

Special Broadcasting Service

Question No: 424

Program No. SBS

Hansard Ref: In writing

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment

Senator Ludwig asked:

- 1. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend 25 February 2014 to date including any catering and drinks costs.
- 2. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 25 February 2014 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 3. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 4. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 5. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

Answer:

- 1. SBS has spent \$111,866 on a number of commercial sales related events for advertisers and media buyers, including bi-yearly client showcases and World Cup promotion.
- 2. Refer to (1).
- 3. SBS plans on only a modest amount of spending consistent with recent expenditure.
- 4. SBS plans on only a modest amount of spending consistent with recent expenditure.
- 5. SBS spends only a modest amount on hospitality and entertainment but looks to achieve savings wherever it is possible in order to operate as efficiently and effectively as possible.