Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2014

Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 15

Program 1.1

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: G20 - expenses

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

Please provide an itemised table of all expenses incurred by the department since September 7, 2013 associated with official G20 and related working group, taskforce, roundtable, Sherpa meetings, workshop and study groups) events, including but not limited to hospitality, accommodation, transport, recreation, merchandise, meals/drinks, catering, security.

For each item, please provide:

- 1. The name of the event/meeting that the expense related to.
- 2. The location of the event.
- 3. The date of the event.
- 4. The name and ABN of the service provider.
- 5. Advise whether the contract was awarded through an open tender process.
- 6. The total value of the contract/invoice.
- 7. The date the contract was executed by the Department.
- 8. The number of attendees at the event, if applicable.
- 9. Advise whether an Australian Government Minister was in attendance. Please detail.
- 10. Advise whether foreign delegates were in attendance. Please detail.

Advise whether the contract/expenditure was approved by the Prime Minister's Office, and if so the date that approval was sought and granted.

Answer:

The Department had no expenses associated with the G20 Summit.