

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Additional Estimates

2015 - 2016

**Department/Agency:** TREASURY  
**Question:** AET 2236-2237  
**Topic:** Media Monitoring  
**Reference:** written - 19 February 2016  
**Senator:** Ludwig, Joe

**Question:**

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

2236. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office during the specified period?

- a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?
- b) What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?
- c) Itemise these expenses.

2237. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency during the specified period?

- a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?
- b) What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?
- c) Itemise these expenses

**Answer:**

A total of \$114,339.95 (inc GST) was spent on media monitoring services for the Minister's Offices and the department from 1 September 2015 to the present (4 March 2016). These services are provided by iSentia.

It is not possible to itemise expenses between the Minister's Offices and the department as the invoices contain aggregate figures.