**Department/ Agency:** Australian Taxation Office

**Question:** BET 1985-1988 **Topic:** Media Subscriptions

Reference: Written - 12 June 2014

**Senator**: Ludwig

## **Question:**

1985. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a. Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.
- b. What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- c. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d. What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- 1986. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
  - a. Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
  - b. What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
  - c. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
  - d. What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- 1987. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
  - a. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
  - b. What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
  - c. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
  - d. What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- 1988. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
  - a. Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.
  - b. What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
  - c. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
  - d. What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?

## Answer:

- 1985. The ATO does not subscribe to pay TV. However, the ATO does subscribe to the parliamentary television network. The annual cost for the subscription to the network for 2013-14 is \$6,811 (GST exclusive). This was paid on 7 November 2013.
- 1986. The ATO subscribes to a range of hard copy magazines, newspapers and journals. These subscriptions are primarily business and/or industry focused. The ATO's financial management information system does not separately identify these costs by publication.

## **Senate Economics Legislation Committee** ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

## **Treasury Portfolio**

Budget Estimates 2014 3 June to 5 June 2014

From 1 March to 31 May 2014, expenditure on hard copy magazines, newspapers and publications for the ATO (including the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission, Australian Valuation Office, Australian Business Register and Tax Practitioners Board) was \$41,747 (GST exclusive).

1987. Please refer to BET 1986.

1988. Please refer to BET 1986.