Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates 20-21 November 2013

Question: SBT 284-285

Topic: Communications staff

Written: 25 November 2013

Senators LUDWIG and WONG asked:

284. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:

By Department or agency:

- a. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location?
- b. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location?
- c. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location?
- d. How many are graphic designers?
- e. How many are media managers?
- f. How many organise events?
- 285. Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?

Answer:

- 284. As at 25 November 2013 there was 1xEL1 (part time totalling 0.6FTE) and 2xAPS5 ongoing staff.
 - a. The work undertaken included internal and external communication strategy development and implementation activities, communication tasks for the annual Budget processes and media monitoring and liaison. All officers are based in Canberra.
 - b. None.
 - c. None.
 - d. None.
 - e. There is no dedicated media management role.
 - f. There is no dedicated event organisation role.
- 285. None.