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Question: BET 324-327

Topic: Provision of Equipment

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Senator LUDWIG asked:

324. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?
325. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs from 7 September 2013 to date?
326. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.
327. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to whom it is provided.

Answer:

324. Nil. ASIC does not provide mobile phones to Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries or their offices.
325. Nil. ASIC does not provide electronic equipment to Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries or their offices.
326. Yes. ASIC's policy is to provide electronic equipment to selected staff, based on need and on manager's approval, and in some cases Senior Executive approval. ASIC can provide the following to agency staff:
- Mobile phone
 - Nokia C5 (\$237 purchase cost + usage). Available to staff with a justified and approved need.
 - iPhone
 - iPhone5C (\$739 purchase cost + usage). Available to staff with a justified and approved need.
 - iPad
 - iPad Air (\$680 purchase cost) is currently on trial for Commissioners and Senior Executives.

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- Blackberry
 - Blackberries are no longer provided.
- Laptop
 - The purchase cost via the AGIMO panel is \$1560 for HP 2533T or \$2897 for HP2530 with no ongoing costs. Available to Executive Level 2 staff and above if justified.
- Vasco tokens
 - The purchase cost is \$150 for hard tokens and \$140 for soft tokens, with no ongoing cost. Provided to staff with a justified and approved need to have remote access.
- USB Thumb drives
 - The purchase cost is \$55 per device. Available to staff with a justified and approved need.
- Wireless cards
 - The purchase cost is \$300 per 4G device. Data charges are pooled.

The ongoing cost of the above devices will vary depending on the level of usage.

327. No, ASIC does not provide electronic equipment to Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries or their offices.