Senate Economics Legislation Committee

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Department/Agency: AOFM Question: SBT1163-1166 Topic: Media subscriptions

Reference: Written - 30 October 2014

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- 1163. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Please provide a list of channels and the reason for each channel.
 - b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 1164. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
 - b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 1165. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
 - a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
 - b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 1166. 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 has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
 - c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
 - d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?

Answer:

1163. Nil.

1164.

- a) Newspapers subscribed to are the Age, the Australian, the Sydney Morning Herald, the Canberra Times and the Australian Financial Review. Newspapers are subscribed to for media monitoring purposes.
- b) The cost for the period 2 June 2014 and 30 October 2014 \$1,400.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

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1165.

- a) Magazines subscribed to are the Economist, Kanga News, Windows IT Pro, Tech Life and Australian Taxation Reporter. These magazines are purchased to inform staff of developments in economics, financial markets, IT and taxation.
- b) The cost for the period 2 June 2014 and 30 October 2014 was nil. These publications were paid in advance prior to 2 June 2014.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.

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- a) Between 2 June 2014 and 30 October 2014 the AOFM acquired the publication 'HSBC Reserve Management Trends 2014'. The publication was acquired for debt management purposes.
- b) The cost of the publication was \$488.
- c) Nil.
- d) Not applicable.