

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE— ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES, 11 FEBRUARY 2016
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Q No.	Program Division or Agency	Senator	Broad topic	Question	Proof Hansard or Written Q	Date Rec'd	Date Tabled
1	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Taxi	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. 2. What are the reasons for taxi costs? 3. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
2	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What has been the Department/Agency's hospitality spend including any catering and drinks costs. 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 3. What has been the Department/Agency's entertainment spend? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 5. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 6. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 7. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 8. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 9. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved? 			
3	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Executive coaching and leadership training	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide the following information in relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>department/agency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Total spending on these services B. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification <p>2. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. The name and nature of the service purchased B. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based C. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification D. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) E. The total amount spent on the service F. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 2. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. The location used B. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) C. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a 			
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				<p>breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>D. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p> <p>3. In relation to education/executive coaching and/or other leadership training services paid for by the department what agreements are made with employees in regards to continuing employment after training has been completed? For graduate or post graduate study, please breakdown each approved study leave by staffing allocation and degree or program title.</p>			
4	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Staff profile	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has there been any change to the staffing profile of the department/agency?</p> <p>A. Provide a list of changes to staffing numbers, broken down by classification level, division, home base location (including town/city and state)</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
5	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Staff profile	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred?</p> <p>A. What was the reason for these reductions?</p> <p>2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>2. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening. 4. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. 5. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency? What classification were these staff? 6. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from? What classification were these staff? 7. What are the voluntary redundancy packages offered? Please detail for each staff level and position 8. How do the packages differ from the default public service package? 9. How is the department/agency funding the packages? 			
6	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Staff recruitment	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited? What classification are these staff? 2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created? What classification are these staff? 3. How many staff have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
7	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Kitchen appliances	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency purchased, leased or rented any kitchen appliances over the value of \$1000? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If yes, provide a list that includes the type of appliance, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>consumables and when the appliance was purchased?</p> <p>B. Why were the appliances purchased?</p> <p>C. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since the appliances were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>D. Where did the funding for the appliances come from?</p> <p>E. Who has access?</p> <p>F. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the appliances? How much was spent on maintenance, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>G. What are the other ongoing costs of the appliances?</p>			
8	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Board vacancies	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. how often has each board met, break down by board name; 2. what travel expenses have been incurred; 3. what has been the average attendance at board meetings; 4. List each member's attendance at meetings; 5. how does the board deal with conflict of interest; 6. what conflicts of interest have been registered; 7. what remuneration has been provided to board members; 8. how does the board dismiss board members who do not meet attendance standards? 9. Have any requests been made to ministers to 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				dismiss board members? 10. Please list board members who have attended less than 51% of meetings 11. What have been the catering costs for the board meetings held during this period? Please break down the cost list.			
9	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Corporate cars	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: 1. How many cars are owned by each department/agency? A. Where are the cars located? B. What are the cars used for? C. What is the cost of each car during the specified period? D. How far did each car travel during the specified period? 2. How many cars are leased by each department/agency? A. Where are the cars located? B. What are the cars used for? C. What is the cost of each car during the specified period? D. How far did each car travel during the specified period?	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
10	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Payment of accounts	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: 1. What has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others? 2. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days? 3. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days?	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>4. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days?</p> <p>5. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days? f) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days?</p> <p>6. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since Estimates, 2014?</p> <p>7. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>			
11	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Hire cars	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars during the specified period? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. 2. What are the reasons for hire car costs? 3. How much did the department spend on hire cars during the specified period for their minister or minister's office? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
12	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Credit cards	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card. 2. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Have there been any changes to how corporate credit card use is monitored? 4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so: 5. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. 6. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse? 7. How many credit cards available to the Minister or their office? If so, please list by classification. Have there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? Has any action been taken against the Minister or their office for credit card misuse? If so, list each occurrence, including the cost of the misuse. 			
13	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Functions	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister . Include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. The guest list of each function B. The party or individual who initiated the request for the function C. The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function D. A list of drinks consumed at the function 2. Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office. Breakdown by item, quantity and cost. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

14	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Red tape review	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please detail changes to structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. What is the progress of that red tape reduction target? 2. How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level? 3. How have they been recruited? 4. What process was used for their appointment? 5. What is the total cost of this unit? 6. What is the estimated total salary cost of the officers assigned to the unit. _ 7. Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents? 8. Please list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body._ 9. What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
15	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Occupancy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much land (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease? 2. Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department, or agency or authority or Government Corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore land upon which Australian Defence force bases are located. Non-Defence Force base land is to 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>be included)</p> <p>3. List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above.</p> <p>a. What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)?</p> <p>b. What is the value of the items identified in (3)?</p> <p>c. What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)?</p> <p>4. How many buildings (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease?</p> <p>5. Please list by each building owned, its name, the size of the building in terms of square metres, the location of that of that building and the latest valuation of that building, where that building is owned by the Department, or agency or authority or Government corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore buildings that are situated on Australian Defence force bases. Non Defence Force base buildings are to be included).</p> <p>6. In regards to any building identified in Q4, please also detail, the occupancy rate as expressed as a percentage of the building size. If occupancy is identified as less than 100%, for what is the remaining space used?</p>			
16	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Temporary staff	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff?</p> <p>2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed?</p> <p>3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed?</p> <p>4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?			
17	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Printing	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: 1. Please list all documents that have been printed at the expense of the department/agency were 500 copies have been produced? Please include the total number produced as well?</p> <p>A. How many of these printed documents were also published online?</p> <p>2. Has the Department/Agency used external printing services for any print jobs?</p> <p>A. If so, what companies were used?</p> <p>B. How were they selected?</p> <p>C. What was the total cost of this printing by item?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
18	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Communication staff	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: 2. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. 3. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location 4. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location 5. How many are graphic designers? 6. How many are media managers? 7. How many organise events? 8. Have these arrangements changed since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015? If yes, please detail. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

19	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Reviews	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many new reviews (defined as review, inter-departmental group, inquiry, internal review or similar activity) have been commenced? Please list them including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. the date they were ordered B. the date they commenced C. the minister responsible D. the department responsible E. the nature of the review F. their terms of reference G. the scope of the review H. Who is conducting the review I. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review J. the expected report date K. the budgeted, projected or expected costs L. If the report will be tabled in parliament or made public 2. For any review commenced or ordered, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names B. If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent C. If yes, for each is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
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				<p>cost item</p> <p>D. If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement</p> <p>E. If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.</p> <p>F. If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them</p> <p>G. If yes, for each, who selected them</p> <p>H. If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If yes, please detail what involvement it was • If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list • If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur • If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department • If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur <p>3. Which reviews are on-going?</p> <p>A. Please list them.</p> <p>B. What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?</p> <p>4. Have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.</p> <p>5. Which reviews have concluded? Please list them.</p>			
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				<p>6. How many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided.</p> <p>7. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?</p> <p>8. What reviews are planned?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A. When will each planned review be commenced?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">B. When will each of these reviews be concluded?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">C. When will government respond to each review?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">D. Will the government release each review?</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">• If so, when? If not, why not?</p>			
20	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Commissioned reports	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How many reports (including paid external advice) have been commissioned by the Minister, department or agency?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A. Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.</p> <p>2. How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental or external staff were involved in each report and at what level?</p> <p>3. What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

21	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Board appointments	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please detail any board appointments made to date. 2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio? 3. Has the department instigated or changed its gender ratio target and/or any other policy intended to increase the participation rate of women on boards? If yes, please specify what the target and policy is for each board. Please specify when these gender ratio or participation policies were changed. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
22	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Stationery	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much has been spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio to date? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Detail the items provided to the minister's office. B. Please specify how many reams of paper have been supplied to the Minister's office. 2. How much has been spent on departmental stationary requirements to date. 3. Has any customised stationery been requested or provided to the Minister or Ministerial Staff? If yes, please include a photo/scan, detail the type of stationery, date it was requested, date it was provided and the cost. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

23	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Electronic equipment to Ministerial offices	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Other than phones, ipads or computers – please list the electronic equipment provided to the Minister’s office. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. List the items B. List the items location or normal location C. List if the item is in the possession of the office or an individual staff member of minister, if with an individual list their employment classification level D. List the total cost of the items E. List an itemised cost breakdown of these items F. List the date they were provided to the office <p>Note if the items were requested by the office or proactively provided by the department</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
24	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Media subscriptions	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? 2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Please provide a list of newspaper 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>A. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?</p> <p>A. Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.</p> <p>B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p>			
25	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Meetings	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>office, please detail total meeting spend from to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>3. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p>			
26	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Media training	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information:</p> <p>A. Total spending on these services</p> <p>B. An itemised cost breakdown of these services</p> <p>C. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>D. The number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification</p> <p>E. The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>F. The location that this training was provided</p> <p>2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1), please provide:</p> <p>A. The name and nature of the service purchased</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>B. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>C. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>D. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>E. The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>F. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>4. The location used</p> <p>5. The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>6. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>7. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
27	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Consulting services	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How many consultancies have been undertaken? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.</p> <p>2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.</p> <p>3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?</p> <p>A. List each, including name, cost and purpose</p> <p>B. If so, why?</p>			
28	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Electronic equipment for Ministerial offices	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone has been provided and the costs?</p> <p>A. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification</p> <p>2. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency? If yes provide a list of:</p> <p>3. What is provided?</p> <p>4. The purchase cost.</p> <p>5. The ongoing cost.</p> <p>6. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc).</p> <p>7. A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

29	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Electronic equipment for Department staff	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency to departmental staff? If yes provide a list of: 2. What has been provided? 3. The purchase cost. 4. The ongoing cost. 5. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc). A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
30	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	PCs for Ministerial offices	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used 2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location 3. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

31	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Travel policy and approval	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the minister or their office or their delegate required to approve all departmental and agency international travel? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, under what policy? B. Provide a copy of that policy. C. When was this policy implemented? D. When is the minister notified, when is approved provided? 2. Detail all travel (domestic and international) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). 3. Detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. 4. What date was the minister or their office notified of the travel? 5. What date did the minister or their office approve the travel? 6. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
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32	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Grants	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What guidelines are in place to administer grants? 2. How are grants applied for? 3. Are there any restrictions on who can apply for a grant? If yes, please detail. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Can these restrictions be waved? If yes, please detail the process for waving them and list any grants where the restrictions were waved. 4. What is the procedure for selecting who will be awarded a grant? 5. Who is involved in this selection process? 6. Does the minister or the minister's office play any role in awarding grants? If yes, please detail. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Has the minister or the minister's office exercised or attempted to exercise any influence over the awarding of any grants? If yes, please detail. 7. Provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc, one-off discretionary grants awarded to date. Provide the recipients, amount, intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those locations. 8. Update the status of each grant that was approved prior to the specified period, but did not have financial contracts in place at that time. Provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those grants. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
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33	DFAT [[Efic]	Ludwig	Rebranding	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has the department/Agency undergone a name change or any other form of rebranding? If so:</p> <p>a. Please detail why this name change / rebrand were considered necessary and a justified use of departmental funds? Please provide a copy of any reports that were commissioned to study the benefits and costs associated with the rebranding.</p> <p>b. Please provide the total cost associated with this rebrand and then break down by amount spent replacing:</p> <p>i. Signage.</p> <p>ii. Stationery (please include details of existing stationery and how it was disposed of).</p> <p>iii. Logos</p> <p>iv. Consultancy</p> <p>v. Any relevant IT changes.</p> <p>vi. Office reconfiguration.</p> <p>c. How was the decision reached to rename and/or rebrand the department?</p> <p>i. Who was involved in reaching this decision? ii. Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) from within the department, or between the department and the government regarding the rename/rebranding.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
34	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Media monitoring	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. 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?</p> <p>A. Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>B. What has been spent providing these services</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>during the specified period?</p> <p>C. Itemise these expenses.</p> <p>2. 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?</p> <p>A. Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>B. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?</p> <p>C. Itemise these expenses</p>			
35	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Communication guidelines (Ministerial)	<p>1. Does the minister's office have a procedure manual for communication between the minister's office and the department? If yes, please provide a copy and:</p> <p>2. When was the manual last updated?</p> <p>3. Who is responsible for updating the manual?</p> <p>4. Who is the manual distributed to?</p> <p>5. Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the department?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
36	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Enterprise Bargaining	<p>1. Please list all related Enterprise Bargaining Agreements with coverage of the department.</p> <p>2. Please list their starting and expiration dates.</p> <p>3. What is the current status of negotiations for the next agreement/s? Please detail.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
37	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Existing resource programs	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How many projects, work, programs or other tasks has the department started as a consequence of government policies or priorities that are required to be funded 'within existing resources'?</p> <p>2. List each</p> <p>3. List the staffing assigned to each task</p> <p>4. What is the nominal total salary cost of the</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>officers assigned to the project?</p> <p>5. What resources or equipment has been assigned to the project?</p>			
38	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Contracts	<p>1. Do any contracts managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticising Government policy? If so, please name each contact. When was it formed or created?</p> <p>2. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?</p> <p>3. Do any agreements managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations on restrictions on advocacy or criticisms of Government policy? If so, please name each agreement. When was it formed or created?</p> <p>4. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?</p> <p>5. For each of the contracts and agreements, are there any particular reason, such as genuine commercial in confidence information, for this restriction?</p> <p>6. Have any changes to financial or resource support to services which advocate on behalf of groups or individuals in Australian society been made? If so, which groups? What was the change?</p> <p>7. Has any consultation occurred between the Department/Agency and any individuals and/or community groups about these changes? If so, what consultation process was used? Was it public? If not, why not? Are public submissions available on a website?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>8. If no consultation has occurred, why not?</p> <p>9. Did the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary meet with any stakeholders about changes to advocacy in their contracts and/or agreements? If so, when? Who did he/she meet with?</p>			
39	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Statutory Review Provisions	<p>Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a statutory review provision/s. For each, please provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What work has been done towards preparing for the review? If none, why not? 2. Please provide a schedule or a work plan for the review 3. When did/will this work begin? 4. When is/was the review due to commence. 5. What is the expected report date. 6. Who is the minister responsible for the review 7. What department is responsible for the review 8. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision. 9. List the terms of reference. 10. What is the scope of the review. 11. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review? 12. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review? 13. When was the Minister briefed on this matter? 14. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter? 15. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review 16. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

40	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Sunset Provisions	<p>1. Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a sunset provision/s. For each, please provide:</p> <p>A. What work has been done towards preparing for the activation of sunset provisions? If no work has commenced, why not?</p> <p>B. Has any consideration been given to delaying or alerting the sunset provisions?</p> <p>C. Please provide a schedule or a workplan for the sunset provisions becoming active</p> <p>D. When did/will this work begin?</p> <p>2. Will there be any reviews of or relating to the legislation before or after the sunset provision is enacted? If yes:</p> <p>A. When is/was the review due to commence.</p> <p>B. What is the expected report date.</p> <p>C. Who is the minister responsible for the review</p> <p>D. What department is responsible for the review</p> <p>E. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.</p> <p>F. List the terms of reference.</p> <p>G. What is the scope of the review.</p> <p>H. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review?</p> <p>I. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?</p> <p>J. When was the Minister briefed on this matter?</p> <p>K. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?</p> <p>L. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review</p> <p>M. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
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41	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Legal costs	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency 2. List the total cost for these items, broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or taken to prepare the advice and the level of counsel used in preparing the advice, whether the advice was internal or external 3. List cost spend briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spent briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial) 4. How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
42	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Communication procedures (Department)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the department have a procedure manual for communication between the department and the minister? If yes, please provide a copy and: 2. When was the manual last updated? 3. Who is responsible for updating the manual? 4. Has the minister's office had any input into the content of the manual? If so, please detail. 5. Who is the manual distributed to? 6. Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the minister or the minister's office? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
43	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Vending machines	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased or taken under contract any vending machine facilities? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, list these B. If so, list the total cost for these items C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>D. If so, where were these purchased</p> <p>E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased</p> <p>F. If so, what is the current location for these items?</p> <p>G. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?</p>			
44	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Self-initiated work	<p>1. Does the department have a program for staff to engage in self-initiated work (projects, plans etc that are devised by staff without being directed by the minister's office or department management)?</p> <p>2. Please list all ongoing projects. For each, please detail:</p> <p>3. When did the project commence?</p> <p>4. When is it expected to conclude?</p> <p>5. What will the total cost of the project be?</p> <p>6. Where did the money for the project come from?</p> <p>7. Where is the project based?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
45	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Staff awards	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has the Department / Agency given out awards to staff for any reason? If yes:</p> <p>A. What was the reason for the awards?</p> <p>B. What was the criteria for the awards?</p> <p>C. What form did the award take? (e.g. Certificate, gift vouchers etc)</p> <p>D. How much was spent on the award?</p> <p>2. How were the awards presented?</p> <p>3. Who presented the awards?</p> <p>4. Was there a ceremony or party for the awards?</p> <p>If yes:</p> <p>A. Where was it held?</p> <p>B. Was there a fee for the venue? If yes, how much?</p> <p>C. How much was spent on catering?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>D. How many people attended?</p> <p>E. Did the minister attend?</p> <p>F. Did the minister's staff attend? If yes, how many?</p>			
46	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Change management	<p>1. Has the Department/Agency engaged in a policy of Change Management? If yes:</p> <p>A. Please detail the policy.</p> <p>B. When was the policy introduced?</p> <p>C. What are the goals of the policy?</p> <p>D. How much was spent on consulting for the policy and who was contracted for this consultation?</p> <p>E. How much was spent implementing this policy?</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
47	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Staff misconduct	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct.</p> <p>2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff?</p> <p>A. If yes, list the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level.</p> <p>B. If yes, what remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?</p> <p>C. If yes, when was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?</p> <p>D. If yes, were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
48	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Fee for services	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Have any existing services provided by the department / agency moved from being free to a user-pay service? Have any additional fees been placed on existing services? If yes please provide a list and include:</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Name of the fee and a short description of what it covers. 3. How much is the fee (and is it a flat fee or a percentage of the service). 4. The date the fee came into place. 5. Were any reviews requested, commenced or complemented into the benefits and drawbacks of attaching the fee to the service? If yes, please detail and provide a copy of the review. 6. What consultation was carried out before the fee was put into place? 7. How was the fee put into place (e.g. through legislation, regulation changes etc)? 8. What justification is there for the fee? 			
49	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Correspondence to Ministerial Offices	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Excluding policy or correspondence briefs, how many documents are provided to the Minister's office on a regular and scheduled basis? Including documents that are not briefs to the minister and do not require ministerial signature. 2. List those documents, their schedule and their purpose (broken down by ministerial signature and office for noting documents) 3. How are they transmitted to the office? 4. What mode of delivery is used (hardcopy, email) for those documents? 5. What level officer are they provided to in the minister's office? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
50	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Merchandise / promotional material	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department purchased any merchandise or promotional material? 2. List by item, and purpose for each item, including if the material is for a specific policy or program or for a generic purpose (note that purpose) 3. List the cost for each item 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>4. List the quantity of each item</p> <p>5. Who suggested these material be created?</p> <p>6. Who approved its creation?</p> <p>7. Provide copies of authorisation</p> <p>8. When was the Minister informed of the material being created?</p> <p>9. Who created the material?</p> <p>10. How was that person selected?</p> <p>11. How many individuals or groups were considered in selecting who to create the material?</p>			
51	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Website domain	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Please provide a breakdown of the domain usage for the 50 most utilised (by data sent and received), unique (internet) domains accessed by the minister's office. Please provide:</p> <p>A. Domain name of the website being accessed (or IP address if the Domain is unavailable in the tracking system).</p> <p>B. Amount of data downloaded and uploaded to the site.</p> <p>C. Number of times the site was accessed.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
52	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Ministerial website	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How much has been spent on the Minister's website?</p> <p>A. List each item of expenditure and cost</p> <p>2. Who is responsible for uploading information to the Minister's website?</p> <p>3. Have any departmental staff been required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Minister's website? Please detail.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

53	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Report printing	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have any reports, budget papers, statements, white papers or report-like documents printed for or by the department been pulped, put in storage, shredded or disposed of? 2. If so please give details; name of report, number of copies, cost of printing, who order the disposal, reason for disposal. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
54	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	FOIs	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many requests for documents under the FOI Act have been received? 2. Of these, how many documents have been determined to be deliberative documents? 3. Of those assessed as deliberative documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest? B. For how many has a redacted document been provided? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
55	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Ministerial motor vehicles	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the minister been provided with or had access to a motor vehicle? If so: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. What is the make and model? B. How much did it cost? C. When was it provided? D. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? E. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. F. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>G. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle.</p> <p>H. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.</p> <p>I. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a minister is to use a motor vehicle they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.</p> <p>J. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.</p>			
56	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Ministerial staff motor vehicles (non-MOP)	<p>1. Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle? If so:</p> <p>A. What is the make and model?</p> <p>B. How much did it cost?</p> <p>C. When was it provided?</p> <p>D. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?</p> <p>E. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.</p> <p>F. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?</p> <p>G. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.</p> <p>H. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p> <p>I. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.</p> <p>J. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

57	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Lobbyist register meetings	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List all interactions between the department/agency with any representative listed on the lobbyist register 2. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting 3. List all interactions between the Minister/parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with any representative listed on the lobbyist register during the specified period. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
58	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Workplace assessments	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. List each item of expenditure and cost 2. Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up? 3. If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
59	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	FOI statistics	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many FOI requests were received to date. 2. How many of those requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act? 3. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act? 4. How many of those requests were granted an 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act? 5. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?			
60	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Tenders	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: 1. List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times: 2. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times? 3. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued? 4. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
61	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Market research	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: 1. List any market research conducted by the department/agency: A. List the total cost of this research B. List each item of expenditure and cost, broken down by division and program C. Who conducted the research? D. How were they identified? E. Where was the research conducted? F. In what way was the research conducted? G. Were focus groups, round tables or other forms of research tools used? H. How were participants for these focus groups et al selected? I. How was the firm or individual that conducted the review selected? J. What input did the Minister have? K. How was it approved? L. Were other firms or individuals considered? If	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				yes, please detail.			
62	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Upgrades	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, list these B. If so, list the total cost for these changes C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure D. If so, who conducted the works? E. If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works F. If so, when are the works expected to be completed? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
63	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Wine coolers/fridges	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any new wine coolers, or wine fridges or other devices for the purpose of housing alcohol beverages, including Eskies? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, list these B. If so, list the total cost for these items C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure D. If so, where were these purchased E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased F. If so, what is the current location for these items? G. If so, what is the current stocking level for each 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				of these items?			
64	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Plants	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any office plants? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, list these B. If so, list the total cost for these items C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure D. If so, where were these purchased E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased F. If so, what is the current location for these items? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
65	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Recreation facilities	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased or constructed any office recreation facilities, activities or games (including but not limited to pool tables, table tennis tables or others)? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, list these B. If so, list the total cost for these items C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure D. If so, where were these purchased E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased F. If so, what is the current location for these items? G. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

66	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Leases	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department? 2. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Date the lease agreement is active from. B. Date the lease agreement ends. C. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not? D. Location of the building (City and state). E. Cost of the lease. F. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department. 3. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed during the specified period. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Date from which the lease agreement was active. B. Date the lease agreement ended. C. Why was the lease not renewed? D. Location of the building (City and state). E. Cost of the lease. F. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department. 4. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Date the lease agreement is expected to become active. B. Date the lease agreement is expected to end. C. Expected location of the building (City and state). D. Expected cost of the lease. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
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				<p>E. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.</p> <p>5. For each building owned or leased by the department:</p> <p>A. What is the current occupancy rate for the building?</p> <p>B. If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.</p>			
67	DFAT [Efic]	Ludwig	Advertising	<p>All (Including government corporations) Government advertising/marketing Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How much has been spent by the department on marketing?</p> <p>A. List the total cost</p> <p>B. List each item of expenditure and cost</p> <p>C. List the approving officer for each item.</p> <p>D. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.</p> <p>E. Which firm provided the marketing?</p> <p>2. How much has been spent by the department on government advertising (including job ads)?</p> <p>A. List the total cost</p> <p>B. List each item of expenditure and cost</p> <p>C. Where the advertising appeared</p> <p>D. List the approving officer for each item.</p> <p>E. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.</p> <p>F. Detail the outlets that were paid for the advertising.</p> <p>3. What government advertising is planned for the rest of the financial year?</p> <p>A. List the total expected cost.</p> <p>B. List each item of expenditure and cost.</p> <p>C. Where the advertising will appear</p> <p>D. List the approving officer for each item.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>E. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.</p> <p>F. Detail the outlets that have been or will be paid for the advertising.</p> <p>4. Provide copies of approvals for advertising, including but not limited to, approvals made by the Prime Minister or his delegate, the Minister or their delegate, or the Department or their delegate.</p>			
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68	DFAT	Bullock	International Planned Parenthood Federation	<p>In relation to a new core funding agreement with International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF):</p> <p>(a) Have negotiations with IPPF commenced?</p> <p>(b) If not, when are they likely to commence?</p> <p>(c) What amount of funding is under consideration?</p> <p>(d) What period is the contract expected to cover?</p> <p>(e) When would payments be expected to be made?</p> <p>1. Other than the new core funding agreement with IPPF, are there any other contracts under consideration or being negotiated with organisations that provide abortion related services?</p> <p>2. In relation to DFAT Complex Agreement 70971 with the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF):</p> <p>(a) Please provide a copy of all correspondence relating to Schedule 1, Item 17 (c) .</p> <p>(b) What mechanisms are in place to quarantine funding derived from Australia under this contract from other unrestricted funding given by IPPF to its Member Associations?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
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				<p>(c) What mechanisms are in place to prevent Australian funds given under this contract from being used “to advocate with legislators for changes in national abortion laws”?</p> <p>(d) Are Australian funds given under this contract permitted to be used for broader advocacy for changes to national abortion laws that do not involve direct advocacy with legislators by IPPF and its personnel and Member Associations?</p> <p>(e) Which Member Associations of the IPPF provide abortions at 20 weeks of pregnancy or later?</p> <p>(f) What mechanisms are in place to ensure that Australian funds provided under this contract are not used to fund the provision of any abortion at 20 weeks of pregnancy or later?</p> <p>(g) Please provide a copy of the “update on progress ... in implementing recommendations of the ESAOR due diligence report” required to be provided to DFAT by 30 September 2015 under Schedule 1, Item 17 (l).</p> <p>(h) Please provide copies of any ad hoc reports provided by IPPF to DFAT in accordance with Schedule 4, Item 5.</p> <p>(i) Which Member Associations of the IPPF are located in countries which have “government policies which limit the ability of women and men to make free and informed choices about timing of childbirth and family size”?</p> <p>(j) For each of these Member Associations what mechanisms are in place to “to ensure the activity provides a voluntary approach to</p>			
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				<p>family planning”?</p> <p>(k) Which Member Associations are located in countries where there are social and cultural issues that may lead to a request for an abortion based solely on the unborn child being identified as female whether this is openly stated as the reason or not?</p> <p>(l) For each of the Member Associations what mechanisms are in place to identify abortion requests that may be based solely on the unborn child being identified as female whether this is openly stated as the reason or not?</p> <p>(m) Please provide any data or evidence demonstrating that in countries such as Nepal and India where abortions based solely on the unborn child being a female are known to be common no such abortions are performed by Member Associations of the IPPF.</p> <p>3. In relation to DFAT Complex Agreement number 71002 with the International Planned Parenthood Federation:</p> <p>(a) Please provide copies of the following reports as required to be provided by IPPF to DFAT under Schedule 2, Item 3 (1) (2) and (3):</p> <p>(i) Inception Report (December 2014-April 2015)</p> <p>(ii) Acquittal report for the period December 2014-April 2015</p> <p>(iii) Progress Report (May-October 2015)</p> <p>(iv) Acquittal report for the period May-October 2015</p>			
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				<p>(b) Please provide copies of an ad hoc reports provided by IPPF to DFAT in accordance with Schedule 4, Item 5.</p> <p>(c) Schedule 2, Item 4 refers to a budget provision of \$409,500 for Advocacy including “the advocacy for comprehensive SRHR policies”. Do “comprehensive SRHR policies”, in the understanding of the IPPF, include a right to unrestricted access to abortion?</p> <p>(d) Is it permitted for the FHAs (Family Health Associations) receiving grants under this budget item to advocate for changes to national abortion laws in their countries?</p> <p>(e) What mechanisms are in place to prevent Australian funds given under this contract from being used “to advocate with legislators for changes in national abortion laws”?</p> <p>(f) The Performance Based Funding Model for ESEAOR – 2014 appended to DFAT Complex Agreement number 71002 includes an increase in the number of abortion-related services as a performance indicator for Member Associations. How is the funding model related to this contract?</p> <p>(g) How much has been paid to IPPF under this contract so far in 2015-16?</p> <p>(h) How much remains to be paid in 2015-16; 2016-17 and 2017-18 respectively?</p> <p>4. In relation to DFAT Agreement 63191 for Sprint Stage II with International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) as amended by the deed of amendment of 14 February 2014:</p> <p>(a) How much in total has been paid in each</p>			
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				<p>year 2011-12; 2012-13; 2013-14; 2014-15 and 2015-16?</p> <p>(b) How much remains to be paid in each year 2015-16 and 2016-17?</p> <p>(c) Please provide a copy of the Annual Plan required to be submitted by 15 February 2015 under item 15.2 of the Agreement Conditions.</p> <p>(d) Please provide a copy of the Annual Report required to be submitted by 15 February 2016 under item 15.</p> <p>(e) Please provide a copy of the full financial report required to be submitted by 15 February 2016.</p>			
69	DFAT	Reynolds	DFAT personnel security and wellbeing	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is DFAT aware of the United States BioShield Act and Project to acquire and stockpile medical countermeasures to biological, chemical, radiological and nuclear agents for homeland security personnel and civilian use? 2. Has the Department had any engagement with the US Government on the threat of the possible release of the smallpox virus and other biological threats? 3. What is DFAT's assessment of the risk to Australian personnel serving in overseas postings of exposure to biological terrorism? 4. What is DFAT's assessment of the risk to Australian personnel serving in high conflict zones in overseas postings of exposure to biological terrorism? 5. What is DFAT's process for assessing the vaccine requirements for departmental officials serving in high risk postings in foreign 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>countries facing the threat of terrorism?</p> <p>6. What precautions has DFAT taken to ensure that its personnel are protected against current and potential threats biological and chemical warfare?</p> <p>7. What are the chemical and biological warfare threats to departmental officials face or potentially face in high risk overseas postings?</p> <p>8. What precautions has DFAT taken to ensure that its personnel are protected against current and potential threats biological and chemical warfare?</p> <p>9. Has the Department assessed the threat of an outbreak of new strands of high contagious viruses?</p> <p>10. Has DFAT given consideration to protecting its personnel against new forms of biological and chemical warfare, and if so, what action has the Department taken to ensure that vaccines are available?</p>			
70	DFAT	Reynolds	Export statistics	<p>1. Please outline the export statistics for the Australian wine industry, including state by state data if available, from the free trade agreements with Japan, South Korea and China.</p> <p>2. Please outline the export statistics for the Australian cattle farming industry, including state by state data if available, from the free trade agreements with Japan, South Korea and China.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
71	DFAT	Brown	Ministerial travel	<p>Please provide a full list of overseas staff travel for Minister Robb and Minister Colbeck from 7 September 2013 to present including date of travel, event, purpose, itinerary, cost of travel, class of travel, hotel and dining expenditure, any stopovers included.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

72	DFAT	Simms	TPP	<p>1. Was the Department consulted about the nature of clauses included in the TPP to go to the provision and regulation of education? If, NO – are there any aspects of the TPP which are of concern to the Department? If YES, what was the nature of that advice in relation to public education? That is, did the Department effectively seek a total carve-out in relation to public education similar to that which seems to have been achieved in relation to Tobacco?</p> <p>2. Can you confirm that the TPP reservations in relation to education do not prevent foreign-owned education providers from using Investor State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) to sue the Commonwealth or any other Australian government if they believe their property, proprietary rights or future income has been indirectly expropriated?</p> <p>3. Let me use a specific example to highlight my concerns. Could regulatory reforms to the VET FEE-HELP arrangements, such as those announced by Senator Birmingham on 1 December, and that has the effect of freezing the value VET FEE-HELP loans to all providers (including overseas owned private providers), be considered an indirect expropriation of future income streams under the TPP? That is, could a foreign owned VET provider use the ISDS provisions to sue the government if changes to education policy intended to be in the public interest had a negative impact on their future earnings?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
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73	DFAT	Bilyk	Ministerial functions	<p>In relation to any functions or official receptions hosted by Ministers or Assistant Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries in the Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio since 20 October 2015, can the following please be provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List of functions; • List of attendees including departmental officials and members of the Minister’s family or personal staff; • Function venue; • Itemised list of costs; • Details of any food served; • Details of any wines or champagnes served including brand and vintage; and • Details of any entertainment provided. 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
74	DFAT	Bilyk	Secretary’s speeches	Can a copy of any speeches delivered by the Secretary of the Department at any staff meetings in 2015 please be provided?	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
75	DFAT	Bilyk	Executive office upgrades	Have the furniture, fixtures or fittings of the Secretary’s office, or the offices of any Deputy Secretaries, been upgraded since 20 October 2015? If so, can an itemised list of costs please be provided?	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
76	DFAT	Bilyk	Austender contract	<p>In relation to the contract CN3319003 as notified on AusTender, awarded to Cole Workwear Pty Ltd for “Provision of Promotional Merchandise”:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What items, and in what quantities were purchased under this contract? • What division of the Department has carriage of this contract? • Who in the Department authorised this 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>contract?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What other services were provided under this contract, including but not limited to design services? • For whom are the items purchased under this contract intended, and when and how will they be available? • How many intended recipients are there? • What text/logos appear on the items purchased under this contract? • Please provide copies of any images held by the Department of these items, including but not limited to sketches and photos 			
77	DFAT	Bilyk	Austender contract	<p>In relation to the contract CN2879182 as notified on AusTender, awarded to Paddywack Promotional Products Pty Ltd,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What items, and in what quantities were purchased under this contract? • What division of the Department has carriage of this contract? • Who in the Department authorised this contract? • What other services were provided under this contract, including but not limited to design services? • For whom are the items purchased under this contract intended, and when and how will they be available? • How many intended recipients are there? • What text/logos appear on the items purchased under this contract? • Please provide copies of any images held by the Department of these items, including but not limited 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				to sketches and photos.			
78	DFAT	Bilyk	Austender contract	<p>In relation to contract CN3308792, titled on Austender “Recreation and playground and swimming and spa equipment and supplies”, awarded to Omnitech Playgrounds for a value of \$103,950:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What Departmental building or residence did this service relate to? • Who occupies this building or residence? • What services were provided under this contract? • Which section of the Department approved these works? • Please provide any photos, sketches and/or plans held by the Department relating to this contract 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
79	DFAT	Bilyk	Board vacancies	Please provide a list of all statutory, board and legislated office vacancies and other significant appointments vacancies within the portfolio, including length of time vacant and current acting arrangements.	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
80	DFAT	Xenophon	Polio and critical sanitation programs	<p><u>Polio</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can DFAT confirm that at least \$15M will be allocated to Global Polio Eradication Initiative for in the 2015-16 budget, as well as in the 2016-17 budget, as per correspondence between WHO and DFAT? 2. Can DFAT confirm that there will be no further cuts to Global Polio Eradication Initiative in light of 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>Prime Minister's Turnbull expression of support for polio eradication at CHOGM 2015 in Malta?</p> <p>3. Of the \$36M allocated to the World Bank to support strengthening routine immunisations in southeast Asia, will this also be able to be used to support the introduction of inactivated polio vaccine in the region, as part of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative budget?</p> <p><u>Critical Sanitation Programs</u></p> <p>4. Can DFAT detail how much funding to critical sanitation programs such as those run by the Water Supply & Sanitation Collaborative Council has been cut in the forward estimates?</p> <p>5. What is the impact these cuts will have for these organisations?</p>			
81	DFAT	Ludwig	Taxi	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. 2. What are the reasons for taxi costs? 3. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
82	DFAT	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What has been the Department/Agency's hospitality spend including any catering and drinks costs. 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend. 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>3. What has been the Department/Agency's entertainment spend? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>5. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>6. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>7. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>8. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?</p>			
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83	DFAT	Ludwig	Executive coaching	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: Please provide the following information in relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Total spending on these services 2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 4. The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. The name and nature of the service purchased B. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based C. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification D. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) E. The total amount spent on the service F. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. The location used B. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
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				<p>for each employment classification)</p> <p>C. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>D. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p> <p>6. In relation to education/executive coaching and/or other leadership training services paid for by the department what agreements are made with employees in regards to continuing employment after training has been completed?</p> <p>For graduate or post graduate study, please breakdown each approved study leave by staffing allocation and degree or program title.</p>			
84	DFAT	Ludwig	Staff profile	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has there been any change to the staffing profile of the department/agency?</p> <p>Provide a list of changes to staffing numbers, broken down by classification level, division, home base location (including town/city and state)</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
85	DFAT	Ludwig	Staff profile	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred?</p> <p>A. What was the reason for these reductions?</p> <p>2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</p> <p>5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>6. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>7. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>8. What are the voluntary redundancy packages offered? Please detail for each staff level and position</p> <p>9. How do the packages differ from the default public service package?</p> <p>How is the department/agency funding the packages?</p>			
86	DFAT	Ludwig	Staff recruitment	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>How many staff have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
87	DFAT	Ludwig	Kitchen appliances	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has the department/agency purchased, leased or rented any kitchen appliances over the value of \$1000?</p> <p>A. If yes, provide a list that includes the type of appliance, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of consumables and when the appliance</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>was purchased?</p> <p>B. Why were the appliances purchased?</p> <p>C. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since the appliances were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>D. Where did the funding for the appliances come from?</p> <p>E. Who has access?</p> <p>F. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the appliances? How much was spent on maintenance, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>What are the other ongoing costs of the appliances?</p>			
88	DFAT	Ludwig	Board vacancies	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. how often has each board met, break down by board name; 2. what travel expenses have been incurred; 3. what has been the average attendance at board meetings; 4. List each member's attendance at meetings; 5. how does the board deal with conflict of interest; 6. what conflicts of interest have been registered; 7. what remuneration has been provided to board members; 8. how does the board dismiss board members who do not meet attendance standards? 9. Have any requests been made to ministers to dismiss board members? 10. Please list board members who have attended 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				less than 51% of meetings what have been the catering costs for the board meetings held during this period? Please break down the cost list.			
89	DFAT	Ludwig	Corporate cars	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many cars are owned by each department/agency? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where are the cars located? 2. What are the cars used for? 3. What is the cost of each car during the specified period? 4. How far did each car travel during the specified period? 2. How many cars are leased by each department/agency? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where are the cars located? 2. What are the cars used for? 3. What is the cost of each car during the specified period? 4. How far did each car travel during the specified period? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
90	DFAT	Ludwig	Payment of accounts	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others? 2. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days? 3. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days? 4. How many payments owed (as a number and as 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days?</p> <p>5. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days? f) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days?</p> <p>6. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since Estimates, 2014?</p> <p>7. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>			
91	DFAT	Ludwig	Hire car	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars during the specified period? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. 2. What are the reasons for hire car costs? 3. How much did the department spend on hire cars during the specified period for their minister or minister's office? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
92	DFAT	Ludwig	Credit card	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card. 2. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused? 3. Have there been any changes to how corporate 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>credit card use is monitored?</p> <p>4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so:</p> <p>5. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.</p> <p>6. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?</p> <p>7. How many credit cards available to the Minister or their office? If so, please list by classification. Have there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? Has any action been taken against the Minister or their office for credit card misuse? If so, list each occurrence, including the cost of the misuse.</p>			
93	DFAT	Ludwig	Functions	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>10. Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister . Include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The guest list of each function 2. The party or individual who initiated the request for the function 3. The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function 4. A list of drinks consumed at the function <p>11. Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office. Breakdown by item, quantity and cost.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

94	DFAT	Ludwig	Red tape review	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Please detail changes to structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What is the progress of that red tape reduction target 2. How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level? 3. How have they been recruited? 4. What process was used for their appointment? 5. What is the total cost of this unit? 6. What is the estimated total salary cost of the officers assigned to the unit. _ 7. Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents? 8. Please list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body._ 9. What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
95	DFAT	Ludwig	Occupancy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much land (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease? 2. Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department, or agency or authority or Government Corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore land upon which Australian Defence force bases are located. Non-Defence Force base land is to 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>be included)</p> <p>3. List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above.</p> <p>a. What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)?</p> <p>b. What is the value of the items identified in (3)?</p> <p>c. What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)?</p> <p>4. How many buildings (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease?</p> <p>5. Please list by each building owned, its name, the size of the building in terms of square metres, the location of that of that building and the latest valuation of that building, where that building is owned by the Department, or agency or authority or Government corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore buildings that are situated on Australian Defence force bases. Non Defence Force base buildings are to be included).</p> <p>6. In regards to any building identified in Q4, please also detail, the occupancy rate as expressed as a percentage of the building size. If occupancy is identified as less than 100%, for what is the remaining space used?</p>			
96	DFAT	Ludwig	Temporary staff	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff?</p> <p>2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed?</p> <p>3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed?</p> <p>4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?			
97	DFAT	Ludwig	Printing	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please list all documents that have been printed at the expense of the Department/Agency where 500 or more copies have been produced? Please include the total number produced as well. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. How many of these printed documents were also published online? 2. Has the Department/Agency used external printing services for any print jobs? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, what companies were used? B. How were they selected? C. What was the total cost of this printing by item? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
98	DFAT	Ludwig	Communication staff	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: 2. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. 3. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location 4. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location 5. How many are graphic designers? 6. How many are media managers? 7. How many organise events? <p>Have these arrangements changed since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015? If yes, please</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				detail.			
99	DFAT	Ludwig	Reviews	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many new reviews (defined as review, inter-departmental group, inquiry, internal review or similar activity) have been commenced? Please list them including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. the date they were ordered B. the date they commenced C. the minister responsible D. the department responsible E. the nature of the review F. their terms of reference G. the scope of the review H. Who is conducting the review I. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review J. the expected report date K. the budgeted, projected or expected costs L. If the report will be tabled in parliament or made public 2. For any review commenced or ordered, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names B. If so, please list their managing 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>director and the board of directors or equivalent</p> <p>C. If yes, for each is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each cost item</p> <p>D. If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement</p> <p>E. If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.</p> <p>F. If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them</p> <p>G. If yes, for each, who selected them</p> <p>H. If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If yes, please detail what involvement it was • If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list • If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur • If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department • If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur <p>3. Which reviews are on-going?</p> <p>A. Please list them.</p> <p>B. What is the current cost to date</p>			
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				<p>expended on the reviews?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them. 5. Which reviews have concluded? Please list them. 6. How many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided. 7. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? 8. What reviews are planned? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. When will each planned review be commenced? B. When will each of these reviews be concluded? C. When will government respond to each review? D. Will the government release each review? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, when? If not, why not? 			
100	DFAT	Ludwig	Commissioned reports	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. How many reports (including paid external advice) have been commissioned by the Minister, department or agency? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. 5. How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental or external staff were involved in each report and at what level? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?			
101	DFAT	Ludwig	Board appointments	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please detail any board appointments made to date. 2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio? 3. Has the department instigated or changed its gender ratio target and/or any other policy intended to increase the participation rate of women on boards? If yes, please specify what the target and policy is for each board. <p>Please specify when these gender ratio or participation policies were changed.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
102	DFAT	Ludwig	Stationery	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. How much has been spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio to date? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Detail the items provided to the minister's office. 2. Please specify how many reams of paper have been supplied to the Minister's office. 3. How much has been spent on departmental stationary requirements to date. 4. Has any customised stationery been requested or provided to the Minister or Ministerial Staff? If yes, please include a photo/scan, detail the type of stationery, date it was requested, date it 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				was provided and the cost.			
103	DFAT	Ludwig	Electronic equipment to Ministerial offices	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Other than phones, ipads or computers – please list the electronic equipment provided to the Minister’s office. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List the items 2. List the items location or normal location 3. List if the item is in the possession of the office or an individual staff member of minister, if with an individual list their employment classification level 4. List the total cost of the items 5. List an itemised cost breakdown of these items 6. List the date they were provided to the office <p>Note if the items were requested by the office or proactively provided by the department</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
104	DFAT	Ludwig	Media subscriptions	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>A. Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>A. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?</p> <p>A. Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.</p> <p>B. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p> <p>C. What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>D. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?</p>			
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105	DFAT	Ludwig	Meetings	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. 3. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. <p>For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
106	DFAT	Ludwig	Media training	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Total spending on these services B. An itemised cost breakdown of these services C. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification D. The number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification E. The names of all service providers engaged 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>F. The location that this training was provided</p> <p>2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1), please provide:</p> <p>A. The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>B. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>C. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>D. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>E. The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>F. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>4. The location used</p> <p>5. The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>6. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>7. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
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107	DFAT	Ludwig	Consulting services	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many consultancies have been undertaken? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies. 2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known. 3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. List each, including name, cost and purpose B. If so, why? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
108	DFAT	Ludwig	Electronic equipment for Ministerial offices	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone has been provided and the costs? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification 2. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency? If yes provide a list of: 3. What is provided? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. The purchase cost. 5. The ongoing cost. 6. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc). 7. A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item. 			
109	DFAT	Ludwig	Electronic equipment for Department staff	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency to departmental staff? If yes provide a list of: 2. What has been provided? 3. The purchase cost. 4. The ongoing cost. 5. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc). <p>A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
110	DFAT	Ludwig	PCs for Ministerial offices	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used 2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>location</p> <p>3. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs</p>			
111	DFAT	Ludwig	Travel policy and approval	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the minister or their office or their delegate required to approve all departmental and agency international travel? 2. If so, under what policy? 3. Provide a copy of that policy. 4. When was this policy implemented? 5. When is the minister notified, when is approved provided? 6. Detail all travel (domestic and international) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). 7. Detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. 8. What date was the minister or their office notified of the travel? 9. What date did the minister or their office approve the travel? 10. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

112	DFAT	Ludwig	Grants administration	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What guidelines are in place to administer grants? 2. How are grants applied for? 3. Are there any restrictions on who can apply for a grant? If yes, please detail. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Can these restrictions be waved? If yes, please detail the process for waving them and list any grants where the restrictions were waved. 4. What is the procedure for selecting who will be awarded a grant? 5. Who is involved in this selection process? 6. Does the minister or the minister's office play any role in awarding grants? If yes, please detail. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Has the minister or the minister's office exercised or attempted to exercise any influence over the awarding of any grants? If yes, please detail. 7. Provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc, one-off discretionary grants awarded to date. Provide the recipients, amount, intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those locations. 8. Update the status of each grant that was approved prior to the specified period, but did not have financial contracts in place at that time. Provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those grants. 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
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113	DFAT	Ludwig	Rebranding	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has the department/Agency undergone a name change or any other form of rebranding? If so:</p> <p>a. Please detail why this name change / rebrand were considered necessary and a justified use of departmental funds?</p> <p>i. Please provide a copy of any reports that were commissioned to study the benefits and costs associated with the rebranding.</p> <p>b. Please provide the total cost associated with this rebrand and then break down by amount spent replacing:</p> <p>i. Signage.</p> <p>ii. Stationery (please include details of existing stationery and how it was disposed of).</p> <p>iii. Logos</p> <p>iv. Consultancy</p> <p>v. Any relevant IT changes.</p> <p>vi. Office reconfiguration.</p> <p>c. How was the decision reached to rename and/or rebrand the department?</p> <p>i. Who was involved in reaching this decision? ii. Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) from within the department, or between the department and the government regarding the rename/rebranding.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
114	DFAT	Ludwig	Media monitoring	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. 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?</p> <p>A. Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>B. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?</p> <p>C. Itemise these expenses.</p> <p>2. 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?</p> <p>A. Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>B. What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?</p> <p>C. Itemise these expenses</p>			
115	DFAT	Ludwig	Communication procedures (Ministerial)	<p>1. Does the minister's office have a procedure manual for communication between the minister's office and the department? If yes, please provide a copy and:</p> <p>2. When was the manual last updated?</p> <p>3. Who is responsible for updating the manual?</p> <p>4. Who is the manual distributed to?</p> <p>5. Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the department?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
116	DFAT	Ludwig	Enterprise Bargaining	<p>1. Please list all related Enterprise Bargaining Agreements with coverage of the department.</p> <p>2. Please list their starting and expiration dates.</p> <p>3. What is the current status of negotiations for the next agreement/s? Please detail.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
117	DFAT	Ludwig	Existing resource programs	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How many projects, work, programs or other tasks has the department started as a consequence of government policies or priorities that are required to be funded 'within existing resources'?</p> <p>2. List each</p> <p>3. List the staffing assigned to each task</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>4. What is the nominal total salary cost of the officers assigned to the project?</p> <p>5. What resources or equipment has been assigned to the project?</p>			
118	DFAT	Ludwig	Government Contracts and Agreements	<p>1. Do any contracts managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations or restrictions on advocacy or criticising Government policy? If so, please name each contact. When was it formed or created?</p> <p>2. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?</p> <p>3. Do any agreements managed by the Department/Agency contain any limitations on restrictions on advocacy or criticisms of Government policy? If so, please name each agreement. When was it formed or created?</p> <p>4. What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction?</p> <p>5. For each of the contracts and agreements, are there any particular reason, such as genuine commercial in confidence information, for this restriction?</p> <p>6. Have any changes to financial or resource support to services which advocate on behalf of groups or individuals in Australian society been made? If so, which groups? What was the change?</p> <p>7. Has any consultation occurred between the Department/Agency and any individuals and/or community groups about these changes? If so, what consultation process was used? Was it public? If not, why not? Are public submissions available on a website?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>8. If no consultation has occurred, why not?</p> <p>9. Did the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary meet with any stakeholders about changes to advocacy in their contracts and/or agreements? If so, when? Who did he/she meet with?</p>			
119	DFAT	Ludwig	Statutory Review Provisions	<p>Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a statutory review provision/s. For each, please provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What work has been done towards preparing for the review? If none, why not? 2. Please provide a schedule or a work plan for the review 3. When did/will this work begin? 4. When is/was the review due to commence. 5. What is the expected report date. 6. Who is the minister responsible for the review 7. What department is responsible for the review 8. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision. 9. List the terms of reference. 10. What is the scope of the review. 11. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review? 12. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review? 13. When was the Minister briefed on this matter? 14. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter? 15. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review 16. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

120	DFAT	Ludwig	Sunset Provisions	<p>1. Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a sunset provision/s. For each, please provide:</p> <p>A. What work has been done towards preparing for the activation of sunset provisions? If no work has commenced, why not?</p> <p>B. Has any consideration been given to delaying or alerting the sunset provisions?</p> <p>C. Please provide a schedule or a workplan for the sunset provisions becoming active</p> <p>D. When did/will this work begin?</p> <p>2. Will there be any reviews of or relating to the legislation before or after the sunset provision is enacted? If yes:</p> <p>A. When is/was the review due to commence.</p> <p>B. What is the expected report date.</p> <p>C. Who is the minister responsible for the review</p> <p>D. What department is responsible for the review</p> <p>E. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.</p> <p>F. List the terms of reference.</p> <p>G. What is the scope of the review.</p> <p>H. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review?</p> <p>I. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?</p> <p>J. When was the Minister briefed on this matter?</p> <p>K. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?</p> <p>L. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review</p> <p>M. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
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121	DFAT	Ludwig	Legal fees	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency 2. List the total cost for these items, broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or taken to prepare the advice and the level of counsel used in preparing the advice, whether the advice was internal or external 3. List cost spend briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spent briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial) 4. How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
122	DFAT	Ludwig	Communication procedures (Department)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the department have a procedure manual for communication between the department and the minister? If yes, please provide a copy and: 2. When was the manual last updated? 3. Who is responsible for updating the manual? 4. Has the minister's office had any input into the content of the manual? If so, please detail. 5. Who is the manual distributed to? 6. Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the minister or the minister's office? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
123	DFAT	Ludwig	Vending machines	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased or taken under contract any vending machine facilities? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, list these B. If so, list the total cost for these items C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>D. If so, where were these purchased</p> <p>E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased</p> <p>F. If so, what is the current location for these items?</p> <p>G. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?</p>			
124	DFAT	Ludwig	Self-initiated work	<p>1. Does the department have a program for staff to engage in self-initiated work (projects, plans etc that are devised by staff without being directed by the minister's office or department management)?</p> <p>2. Please list all ongoing projects. For each, please detail:</p> <p>3. When did the project commence?</p> <p>4. When is it expected to conclude?</p> <p>5. What will the total cost of the project be?</p> <p>6. Where did the money for the project come from?</p> <p>7. Where is the project based?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
125	DFAT	Ludwig	Staff awards	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has the Department / Agency given out awards to staff for any reason? If yes:</p> <p>A. What was the reason for the awards?</p> <p>B. What was the criteria for the awards?</p> <p>C. What form did the award take? (e.g. Certificate, gift vouchers etc)</p> <p>D. How much was spent on the award?</p> <p>2. How were the awards presented?</p> <p>3. Who presented the awards?</p> <p>4. Was there a ceremony or party for the awards?</p> <p>If yes:</p> <p>A. Where was it held?</p> <p>B. Was there a fee for the venue? If yes, how much?</p> <p>C. How much was spent on catering?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>D. How many people attended?</p> <p>E. Did the minister attend?</p> <p>F. Did the minister's staff attend? If yes, how many?</p>			
126	DFAT	Ludwig	Change management	<p>1. Has the Department/Agency engaged in a policy of Change Management? If yes:</p> <p>A. Please detail the policy.</p> <p>B. When was the policy introduced?</p> <p>C. What are the goals of the policy?</p> <p>D. How much was spent on consulting for the policy and who was contracted for this consultation?</p> <p>E. How much was spent implementing this policy?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
127	DFAT	Ludwig	Staff misconduct	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct.</p> <p>2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff?</p> <p>A. If yes, list the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level.</p> <p>B. If yes, what remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?</p> <p>C. If yes, when was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?</p> <p>D. If yes, were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
128	DFAT	Ludwig	Fee for service	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Have any existing services provided by the department / agency moved from being free to a user-pay service? Have any additional fees been placed on existing services? If yes please provide a list and include:</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Name of the fee and a short description of what it covers. 3. How much is the fee (and is it a flat fee or a percentage of the service). 4. The date the fee came into place. 5. Were any reviews requested, commenced or complemented into the benefits and drawbacks of attaching the fee to the service? If yes, please detail and provide a copy of the review. 6. What consultation was carried out before the fee was put into place? 7. How was the fee put into place (e.g. through legislation, regulation changes etc)? 8. What justification is there for the fee? 			
129	DFAT	Ludwig	Correspondence to Ministerial Offices	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Excluding policy or correspondence briefs, how many documents are provided to the Minister's office on a regular and scheduled basis? Including documents that are not briefs to the minister and do not require ministerial signature. 2. List those documents, their schedule and their purpose (broken down by ministerial signature and office for noting documents) 3. How are they transmitted to the office? 4. What mode of delivery is used (hardcopy, email) for those documents? 5. What level officer are they provided to in the minister's office? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
130	DFAT	Ludwig	Merchandise / promotional material	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department purchased any merchandise or promotional material? 2. List by item, and purpose for each item, including if the material is for a specific policy or program or for a generic purpose (note that purpose) 3. List the cost for each item 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>4. List the quantity of each item</p> <p>5. Who suggested these material be created?</p> <p>6. Who approved its creation?</p> <p>7. Provide copies of authorisation</p> <p>8. When was the Minister informed of the material being created?</p> <p>9. Who created the material?</p> <p>10. How was that person selected?</p> <p>11. How many individuals or groups were considered in selecting who to create the material?</p>			
131	DFAT	Ludwig	Website domain	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Please provide a breakdown of the domain usage for the 50 most utilised (by data sent and received), unique (internet) domains accessed by the minister's office. Please provide:</p> <p>A. Domain name of the website being accessed (or IP address if the Domain is unavailable in the tracking system).</p> <p>B. Amount of data downloaded and uploaded to the site.</p> <p>C. Number of times the site was accessed.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
132	DFAT	Ludwig	Ministerial website	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How much has been spent on the Minister's website?</p> <p>A. List each item of expenditure and cost</p> <p>2. Who is responsible for uploading information to the Minister's website?</p> <p>3. Have any departmental staff been required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Minister's website? Please detail.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

133	DFAT	Ludwig	Departmental reports printed	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have any reports, budget papers, statements, white papers or report-like documents printed for or by the department been pulped, put in storage, shredded or disposed of? 2. If so please give details; name of report, number of copies, cost of printing, who order the disposal, reason for disposal 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
134	DFAT	Ludwig	FOIs	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many requests for documents under the FOI Act have been received? 2. Of these, how many documents have been determined to be deliberative documents? 3. Of those assessed as deliberative documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest? B. For how many has a redacted document been provided? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
135	DFAT	Ludwig	Ministerial motor vehicles	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the minister been provided with or had access to a motor vehicle? If so: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. What is the make and model? B. How much did it cost? C. When was it provided? D. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? E. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. F. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>G. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle.</p> <p>H. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.</p> <p>I. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a minister is to use a motor vehicle they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.</p> <p>J. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.</p>			
136	DFAT	Ludwig	Ministerial staff motor vehicles (non-MOP)	<p>1. Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle? If so:</p> <p>A. What is the make and model?</p> <p>B. How much did it cost?</p> <p>C. When was it provided?</p> <p>D. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?</p> <p>E. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.</p> <p>F. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?</p> <p>G. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.</p> <p>H. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p> <p>I. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.</p> <p>J. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

137	DFAT	Ludwig	Lobbyist register	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List all interactions between the department/agency with any representative listed on the lobbyist register 2. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting 3. List all interactions between the Minister/parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with any representative listed on the lobbyist register during the specified period. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
138	DFAT	Ludwig	Workplace assessment	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. List each item of expenditure and cost 3. Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up? 4. If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
139	DFAT	Ludwig	FOI statistics	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many FOI requests were received to date. 2. How many of those requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act? 3. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act? 4. How many of those requests were granted an 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act? 5. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?			
140	DFAT	Ludwig	Multiple tenders	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: 1. List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times: 2. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times? 3. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued? 4. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
141	DFAT	Ludwig	Market research	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: 1. List any market research conducted by the department/agency: A. List the total cost of this research B. List each item of expenditure and cost, broken down by division and program C. Who conducted the research? D. How were they identified? E. Where was the research conducted? F. In what way was the research conducted? G. Were focus groups, round tables or other forms of research tools used? H. How were participants for these focus groups et al selected? I. How was the firm or individual that conducted the review selected? J. What input did the Minister have? K. How was it approved? L. Were other firms or individuals considered? If	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				yes, please detail.			
142	DFAT	Ludwig	DFAT upgrades	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, list these B. If so, list the total cost for these changes C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure D. If so, who conducted the works? E. If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works F. If so, when are the works expected to be completed? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
143	DFAT	Ludwig	Wine coolers/fridges	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any new wine coolers, or wine fridges or other devices for the purpose of housing alcohol beverages, including Eskies? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. If so, list these B. If so, list the total cost for these items C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure D. If so, where were these purchased E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased F. If so, what is the current location for these items? G. If so, what is the current stocking level for each 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				of these items?			
144	DFAT	Ludwig	Office plants	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased any office plants?</p> <p>A. If so, list these</p> <p>B. If so, list the total cost for these items</p> <p>C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure</p> <p>D. If so, where were these purchased</p> <p>E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased</p> <p>F. If so, what is the current location for these items?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
145	DFAT	Ludwig	Office recreation facilities	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. Has the department/agency purchased or leased or constructed any office recreation facilities, activities or games (including but not limited to pool tables, table tennis tables or others)?</p> <p>A. If so, list these</p> <p>B. If so, list the total cost for these items</p> <p>C. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure</p> <p>D. If so, where were these purchased</p> <p>E. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased</p> <p>F. If so, what is the current location for these items?</p> <p>G. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

146	DFAT	Ludwig	DFAT leases	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department? 2. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Date the lease agreement is active from. B. Date the lease agreement ends. C. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not? D. Location of the building (City and state). E. Cost of the lease. F. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department. 3. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed during the specified period. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Date from which the lease agreement was active. B. Date the lease agreement ended. C. Why was the lease not renewed? D. Location of the building (City and state). E. Cost of the lease. F. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department. 4. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Date the lease agreement is expected to become active. B. Date the lease agreement is expected to end. C. Expected location of the building (City and state). D. Expected cost of the lease. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has this cost been allocated into the budget? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
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				<p>E. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.</p> <p>5. For each building owned or leased by the department:</p> <p>A. What is the current occupancy rate for the building?</p> <p>B. If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.</p>			
147	DFAT	Ludwig	Advertising	<p>All (Including government corporations) Government advertising/marketing Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:</p> <p>1. How much has been spent by the department on marketing?</p> <p>A. List the total cost</p> <p>B. List each item of expenditure and cost</p> <p>C. List the approving officer for each item.</p> <p>D. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.</p> <p>E. Which firm provided the marketing?</p> <p>2. How much has been spent by the department on government advertising (including job ads)?</p> <p>A. List the total cost</p> <p>B. List each item of expenditure and cost</p> <p>C. Where the advertising appeared</p> <p>D. List the approving officer for each item.</p> <p>E. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.</p> <p>F. Detail the outlets that were paid for the advertising.</p> <p>3. What government advertising is planned for the rest of the financial year?</p> <p>A. List the total expected cost.</p> <p>B. List each item of expenditure and cost.</p> <p>C. Where the advertising will appear</p> <p>D. List the approving officer for each item.</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>E. Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process.</p> <p>F. Detail the outlets that have been or will be paid for the advertising.</p> <p>4. Provide copies of approvals for advertising, including but not limited to, approvals made by the Prime Minister or his delegate, the Minister or their delegate, or the Department or their delegate.</p>			
148	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: My next point was: did DFAT have any involvement in that trip, and in the Singapore leg of the trip?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I would have to take on notice whether we had any involvement in the Singapore leg of the trip, given it was an official visit by the minister. The embassy in Beijing would not have had—and I am conscious that I am using the word 'would'—any involvement at the Beijing end because it was not aware that Mr Robert was—</p> <p>Senator WONG: I assume if it was official business he would have received facilitation at Changi et cetera or however he flew in. Presumably through that DFAT became aware at least of the fact that he had been in China—that is, that he was arriving in Singapore from Beijing, not from Sydney. Could you take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Sure. I will take that on notice.</p>	Page 8	03/05/16	04/05/16
149	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: People still think you are representing even if you have paid for your own trip. I am just going to outline what I understand to be the process and check with you that my understanding is correct. Where ministers seek travel approval, a letter is written to the Prime Minister's office. The Prime Minister then approves it. Is DFAT advised at all, through that travel approval process, of the fact of travel—non-portfolio ministers?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: In relation to non-portfolio ministers, the</p>	Page 10	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>way the system works is that once the Prime Minister has approved travel the relevant department would be in touch with DFAT, and sometimes directly in touch with the post, to put in place arrangements for the visit.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Did that occur in relation to the Beijing to Singapore leg of Mr Robert's visit?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I would have to take that on notice.</p>			
150	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: Can you tell me how that advice was provided?</p> <p>Mr Fletcher: By email.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I would like a copy of that email, please.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Can I take that on notice. I think we are talking about a Defence email.</p> <p>Senator WONG: But it is a document that you hold because you received it.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Can I take that on notice. It is not our document is all I am saying.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: Did the email express any surprise that they were not advised?</p> <p>Mr Fletcher: I will have to check. I will take that on notice.</p>	Page 11	03/05/16	04/05/16
151	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: So you have not checked whether or not once DFAT was advised that a minister was wandering around China having meetings with a vice-minister—you get advised a week later whether your post did anything? Did they report it? Did they put it in a cable?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Sorry. Did they report that they had received advice about the visit?</p> <p>Senator WONG: Yes. Did they report anything about the visit? Did they say, 'Mr Robert, a member of the Australia executive, has met with a senior official in China. We weren't aware of it, nobody attended and we are not sure about what happened at the meeting.'</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I will take on notice whether there was any such report. Given that the information came from the Department of Defence and the minister was in that</p>	Pages 12-13	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>portfolio, I am not sure that reporting back to Canberra something that Canberra had reported to them would have made a whole lot of sense, but I am willing to take it on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: Did the post report it to you or one of your—</p> <p>Mr Varghese: No, I said I would take on notice whether they did or they did not.</p> <p>Senator WONG: You cannot remember?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: No.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Anybody at dep-sec level or the SES level advise that a minister had a meeting that nobody knew about and nobody had attended?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Let me take it on notice, because the relevant division head is not aware of it and I am not aware of it, so I think—</p>			
152	DFAT	Conroy & Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator CONROY: We have all seen from the photographs that have been reproduced in the Australian newspapers—and I appreciate you could not possibly watch every single company or their websites—was there any publicity around the meeting in Chinese media at the time that Mr Robert was in China? The next day, was there a photograph with their media?</p> <p>I understand, from the website of the company where the signing took place, they were very proud of it, and they published it very quickly. So I am just trying to understand: even though he may not have told you he was there, did anyone notice he was there through the Chinese media? I am presuming you do have a fairly comprehensive watch on Chinese media, although I appreciate, as I said, you would not have on every single company, but were there any announcements by the Chinese government of Mr Robert's parading around the country on behalf of Nimrod?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Can we take that on notice—whether there was any coverage in the Chinese media, and if so,</p>	Page 14	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>whether the embassy was aware of it?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: I would be grateful if you could find that out and we could come back to this later today, given we are here until 11 o'clock tonight. Apropos Senator Conroy's question, there was a press release put out by the Chinese government about the meeting. Did that not come to the post's attention or to DFAT's attention at all?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Can I take that on notice as well?</p>			
153	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: When did the foreign minister become aware of the assistant minister's visit?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I would have to take on notice whether the foreign minister became aware of it before this became an issue in the public domain, most recently.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: I ask the minister to tell us when the foreign minister or her office became aware of Mr Robert's visit to China and his meeting with the vice-minister?</p> <p>Senator Colbeck: I will have to take that on notice.</p>	Page 14-15	03/05/16	04/05/16
154	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: Mr Varghese, can you tell me which passport the minister used?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I do not know, but I shall take that on notice as well.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: The press release to which I referred refers to Mr Robert and his delegation. Do you know who his delegation were?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I do not, Senator. I am happy to also take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: When did Ms Adamson, who was the then ambassador, become aware of the visit?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I will take that on notice. But going back to the evidence we have already given you, Mr Fletcher indicated that on 26 August the Defence section was</p>	Page 15	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>advised. I will take on notice whether Ambassador Adamson was also subsequently advised and, if so, whether she can recall when</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: What inquiries have you made on the details of the meeting?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I will take that on notice.</p>			
155	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: Were you asked for advice in relation to any of the Rolexes which have been publicly disclosed now?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Not to my knowledge, but I am happy to take that on notice.</p>	Page 18	03/05/16	04/05/16
156	DFAT	Ludlam	Julian Assange	<p>Senator LUDLAM: But Mr Assange's legal team cannot compel the Swedish authorities to question him. It is a very strange situation for them to be put in. I do not think they have the ability to compel prosecutors to question him. So actually they can let this run for another 20 years if they feel like it and the Australian government will just let that happen.</p> <p>Mr Philp: There is a Swedish statute of limitations that would not allow it to continue for another 20 years.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: How long this could this conceivably go for?</p> <p>Mr Philp: I would have to take that on notice, but I believe until 2020.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: It is not about interference; it is about advocacy for an Australian citizen. Every now and again, we do advocate for Australian citizens and every now and again we get results. Can anyone at the desk confirm whether Mr Assange is the first Australian citizen to be found to have been arbitrarily detained by the United Nations Working Group on Arbitrary Detention since it was founded in 1991?</p> <p>Mr Philp: I cannot.</p>	Page 20	03/05/16	04/05/16

				Mr Varghese: We will take it on notice.			
157	DFAT	Gallacher	Ministerial visits to Qatar	<p>Senator GALLACHER: Secretary, I think from your website brief there have been three ministerial visits to Qatar since 2011. Would that be correct?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	Page 27	03/05/16	04/05/16
158	DFAT	Gallacher	Doha lease	<p>Senator GALLACHER: I have no issue with what the Office of Overseas Property has done. It has followed its instructions and has come up with its best assessment of the property. My question is back to the department. When the cost of that becomes known and when the built-in redundancy of floor space is known, who signed off on almost \$20 million worth of expenditure in Doha, when we have facilities in Dubai and Abu Dhabi? Where has this come from?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: The decision to open a post in Doha was a government decision and sitting behind that was a judgement that we needed to extend our diplomatic footprint in that part of the world, given the economic and also some broader political issues that are now bigger in our relationship with the Middle East and with the emirates. Why we are doing Doha on top of the others reflects those judgements. If we cannot answer the question about who will sign off on the delegation when it is finally approved, I will take that on notice. We will give you an annualised figure for the rent. Can I just make one other comment? I do not think you can necessarily, for the opening of a new post, take the square meterage and divide it by the number of employees and compare it to the average square meterage of a Public Service department in Canberra—</p>	Page 25	03/05/16	04/05/16

159	DFAT	Gallacher	Diplomatic footprint	<p>Senator GALLACHER: In respect to the other posts that are mentioned under that \$98.3 million, I would appreciate if you could give us, on notice, an assessment of what those costs are looking like.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Sure, we will take that on notice.</p>	Page 27	03/05/16	04/05/16
160	DFAT	McEwen	Special Envoy for Human Rights	<p>Senator McEWEN: I would like to ask some questions about the appointment of Mr Philip Ruddock as Special Envoy for Human Rights. This appointment was announced by the Prime Minister, the foreign minister and by Mr Ruddock himself on 8 February this year. When was Mr Ruddock first offered that position?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I would need to check with the foreign minister, because any discussions with Mr Ruddock would have been held not by the department but by the foreign minister.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: So you will take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I will.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: Could you also either answer or take on notice when he accepted the offer of the position?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I will take that on notice, because it is linked to the first question.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: Do you know, Mr Varghese, whether there was anything in writing given to Mr Ruddock regarding the position?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I have not seen anything in writing. So I shall take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: Do you know if there is any letter of appointment?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I have seen nothing in writing, so I will take it on notice.</p>	Page 28	03/05/16	04/05/16
161	DFAT	McEwen	Special Envoy for Human Rights	<p>Senator McEWEN: When you say 'designated', will he have some kind of formal letter or something saying: 'You are the Special Envoy for Human Rights of the Australian government'—is that what you mean?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Yes. I expect there will be formal correspondence to Mr Ruddock that sets that out. For</p>	Page 30	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>instance, at an international conference there is always a delegates list that is put together and his entry will appear as Special Envoy for Human Rights.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: So you expect there to be formal correspondence setting out his actual status?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Yes and I will take on notice whether that has happened.</p>			
162	DFAT	McEwen	Special Envoy for Human Rights	<p>CHAIR: Can Mr Ruddock be paid for the other role whilst he is receiving a salary as a member of parliament?</p> <p>Senator Brandis: It would depend on the arrangements, but, of course, ministers are paid a salary, and the component of a minister's salary which is their ministerial salary as opposed to their parliamentary salary is not treated as being a violation of section 44, because, although the source of the salary is the public purse, they are paid for being a minister. Now, I do not know what the arrangements with Mr Ruddock are.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: But they are appointed by the Governor-General, to be ministers, Mr Ruddock is appointed by the government.</p> <p>Senator Brandis: That is not the point. All ministers are appointed by the Governor-General. If the arrangements in relation to Mr Ruddock put him in a position that is legally analogous to that of a minister receiving a ministerial salary, while obviously a member of parliament, that would not be problematic. Of course, after Mr Ruddock retires, then the issue does not arise. I am quite certain the appropriate arrangements to ensure that there is no section 44 issue will be made. But if you like I will take any further answer on notice and have it looked at.</p>	Page 31	03/05/16	04/05/16

163	DFAT	Rhiannon	Cambodia	<p>RHIANNON: DFAT's 2015 to 2018 aid investment plan for Cambodia highlights a role of NGOs as 'important partners given their expertise, on-the-ground networks and experience working with local communities'. In light of this, has Cambodia's 2015 Law on Associations and Non-Governmental Organizations affected the status or operations of any of the NGOs or volunteer organisations we partner with?</p> <p>Mr Chittick: More broadly, my understanding is that the law has not had a material impact on NGO activity in Cambodia at this stage, given that it relates largely to activities in election periods, but I will take it on notice to provide you with specific information on NGO partners of the Australian government.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: You said 'material impact', so, when you take it on notice, could you identify any impacts at all, please.</p> <p>Mr Chittick: I will.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Thank you. Has the government through the minister and/or the ambassador made representations to the Cambodian government regarding the potential negative impact of the law on Cambodia's development and civil society?</p> <p>Mr Chittick: We have an ongoing discussion through our embassy and through visiting delegations with the government of Cambodia on a range of human rights issues. I do not have any specific information in my briefing about this specific aspect, so I am happy to take that specific aspect on notice, but we have an ongoing dialogue with the government of Cambodia on human rights issues more broadly.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Thank you. Could you take this specific issue on notice: are you aware of other international donors who may have made formal representations regarding this law?</p> <p>Mr Chittick: I am aware through media reporting that a number of other donors have, including the European</p>	Page 32-33	03/05/16	04/05/16
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164	DFAT	Rhiannon	Vietnam	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Thank you very much. Moving on to Vietnam, has the state-owned China Road and Bridge Corporation been selected as part of a consortium to construct the Cao Lanh Bridge project in Vietnam?</p> <p>Mr Chittick: The construction of the Cao Lanh Bridge is over half built now. I do not have with me the specific names of the contractors of each aspect of that, so I will be very happy to take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Do I take from that answer in response to my question about independent checks that it is a contractor who undertakes the independent checks?</p> <p>Mr Chittick: There is a contractor that delivers the services. Again, I do not have quite the detail with me about the quality assurance process, but I am aware of a range of quality assurance processes, which are separate</p>	Page 33-34	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>to the contractor responsible for resettlement, that verify the quality of the resettlement process. But I would like to take the details of that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Just one more question on Vietnam. Is there an estimate for the cost of research and development and design innovations needed to protect this bridge infrastructure from the impacts of climate change, considering that it has been identified that the Mekong is particularly vulnerable to climate change impacts?</p> <p>Mr Chittick: I do not have that level of specific detail with me, so I would be very happy to take it on notice.</p>			
165	DFAT	Rhiannon	Indonesia	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Can you give us a dollar amount on how much is being capped, please?</p> <p>Mr Cox: Yes, I will get that for you on notice.</p>	Page 34	03/05/16	04/05/16
166	DFAT	Rhiannon	Myanmar	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Thank you. Moving on to Myanmar now—thanks, Mr Chittick. What types of cooperation activities are we undertaking currently with the Myanmar police, military and border security authorities? Is any of this cooperation funded through the aid program?</p> <p>Mr Chittick: The specifics of the responsible agencies for each of those are not with DFAT; it would be the Department of Defence, the AFP and the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. I can give you a bit of an overview, but the specific details of how those programs are managed and whether they involve ODA-eligible expenditure would have to be sourced from those specific agencies.</p> <p>More broadly, we have begun to build engagement between our national security agencies. We face a range of common national security issues in our region, and as Myanmar has begun to democratise - and certainly with</p>	Page 34-35	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>the installation of an NLD government following successful elections last November—I would anticipate that those engagements will increase.</p> <p>We do have a defence attache based in Myanmar, and he oversees a defence-defence relationship. We do have a relationship between our two police forces—counter drug-trafficking activities are an important element of that relationship—and we do have, again, an increasing relationship on immigration and border protection issues. Those relationships are at a much lower level of development than our relationship with Myanmar's neighbours. The specific details of those are managed by other agencies, but I am happy to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: And also the issue about the funding? Are they funded through the aid program?</p> <p>Mr Chittick: Yes, I will ask them that question.</p>			
167	DFAT	McEwen	Special Envoy for Human Rights	<p>Senator McEWEN: Will Mr Ruddock be provided with any additional staff? Is somebody going to be seconded from DFAT to work with him or within DFAT to work with him?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: We will probably need to place an extra person in Dr Strahan's division to help manage the work of the special envoy.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: What level will the extra person be?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Probably an EL1 level, in Public Service terms—below SES.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: Just the one person? What about diary support and—</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I think we can manage with one additional person.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: And that position was not included in your current budget?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: No. The costs of the special envoy are new costs which we will absorb.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: Have you done a rough estimate of what all those new costs will be for the remainder of this financial year?</p>	Page 39	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>Mr Varghese: I think, in terms of staffing, it will probably be of the order of about \$120,000. In terms of travel, now that we have a more precise idea about where and when, we could probably put some indicative numbers against that, but I do not have them in my head.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: Could you take it on notice to provide those numbers?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Sure.</p>			
168	DFAT	McEwen	East Timor	<p>Senator McEWEN: Senator Bernardi was asking questions about East Timor. Can you please take on notice whether any current or former Abbott or Turnbull government ministers have visited Timor-Leste in the term of this parliament.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Officially?</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: Yes. When was the last time a foreign minister visited Timor-Leste, when was the last time the current foreign minister visited Timor-Leste, and what was her position at the time.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I will take that on notice.</p>	Page 42	03/05/16	04/05/16
169	DFAT	Madigan	East Timor	<p>Senator MADIGAN: Thank you, Mr Varghese. Attorney, was Mr Moraitis a member of the delegation from Australia in Dili in October 2004, during which, it is alleged, clandestine listening devices had been installed by ASIS in the East Timorese ministerial cabinet room?</p> <p>Senator Brandis: Let's decouple the two parts of that question. The allegation with which I am familiar is not an allegation that Australia has ever accepted. Whether Mr Moraitis travelled to East Timor at that time I am not aware. I will take that on notice.</p>	Page 46	03/05/16	04/05/16
170	DFAT	Rhiannon	China	<p>Senator RHIANNON: I would like to move on to some questions about China. I understand that Australia is currently working with China on an antimalarial project in Papua New Guinea. Is Australia planning to work with China on other development projects in the Asia-Pacific region?</p> <p>Mr Fletcher: At the moment, I do not believe we have</p>	Page 47	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>plans for further cooperative aid programs with China. Senator RHIANNON: I think you said that you 'understand'. Does that mean you need to take it on notice? Mr Fletcher: Yes, I can take it on notice. Senator RHIANNON: The question was: is Australia planning on working with China? You have taken that on notice. Has the Chinese government approached Australia with any proposals for future cooperation? Mr Fletcher: I do not believe so but I can check that on notice as well.</p>			
171	DFAT	Rhiannon	Multilateral partners replenishments	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Thank you. Has Australia undertaken a multilateral assessment since 2012? Mr McDonald: The department undertakes multilateral assessments with our multilateral partners as the replenishments come forward. So, as they are due for renewal, we undertake a multilateral assessment. Senator RHIANNON: When is the next one planned, please? Mr McDonald: They come up progressively. We have one coming up shortly in relation to the Asian Development Bank. There is a replenishment coming up in May, for example, so that is an assessment we will do then. It is a progressive thing through the year as they come forward. We also have one coming up with the International Committee of the Red Cross later this year. That is another multilateral assessment. We can give you, on notice, when they are due. Senator RHIANNON: That would be good. I was trying to understand: how is Australia's funding for multilateral agencies linked to these assessments?</p>	Page 48	03/05/16	04/05/16
172	DFAT	Rhiannon	Ebola	<p>Mr McDonald: I might need to check that with Mr Exell. But, certainly, we did a progressive assessment throughout the Ebola response around Australia's response, and Mr Exell might be able to elaborate on that. Mr Exell: At this stage, there is not an intention to take</p>	Page 48	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>on an independent review or evaluation of our Ebola response. There was an internal DFAT review and, indeed, there was a whole-of-government review of our overall Ebola response. We were also part of a WHO major review of their response and their global reactions, or global response, to Ebola. So there were pretty significant review exercises going on around the work there.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Have they been released publicly? Mr Exell: I will have to take that on notice.</p>			
173	DFAT	Wong	QoN 13 SBE 2015	<p>Senator WONG: I also asked for a second document, which was essentially an update to question on notice 13. Did you want to tell me what is going to happen with that one? I ask because our discussion was not on the public record.</p> <p>Mr McDonald: It will probably be easier for me to do it because it is in a different area to Mr Wood. We will not be able to produce the material you asked for in the detail you asked for today. I apologise for that, but we actually have to go into our SAP and AidWorks system to get the exact figure—the value that you talked about—for you. We will also need to make sure of the accuracy of the material we have provided. Today, for example, that question 13 may need updating in terms of the programs on that list as well. I would prefer to take that on notice and provide that material to you at a later date.</p> <p>Senator WONG: All right. Chair, we will have some aid questions. We might need to have the opportunity to have a look at that document.</p>	Page 60	03/05/16	04/05/16
174	DFAT	Macdonald	Vanuatu	<p>Senator IAN MACDONALD: It was a very brave judge, I understand. Where did she come from? She is not local. Mr Sloper: I would have to take the judge's background on notice. ... Senator IAN MACDONALD: We have been paid for the Chinese crane that fell on the high commission</p>	Page 61-62	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>residence?</p> <p>Mr Sloper: I would have to take that on notice. I am aware of the crane you are referring to that fell across the fence next to the high commission. I do not know the status of the cost recovery associated with the damage, but I can take that on notice.</p>			
175	DFAT	Dastyari	Security contracts	<p>Mr Williams: We believe the review mechanisms that we have in place—and we have gone through a very substantive review of these two contracts over recent months—is more than adequate.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: That is you reviewing yourself and your performance with the security contractor.</p> <p>Mr Williams: With the security company, and with our embassies as well.</p> <p>Senator DASTYARI: But has there been an example of this being done independently in the past.</p> <p>Mr Williams: I cannot recall. I would have to take that on notice.</p>	Page 68	03/05/16	04/05/16
176	DFAT	Rhiannon	Aid to Palestinian refugees	<p>Mr Innes-Brown: I will have to check specifically on the allocation of that funding in relation to Palestinian refugees, but we also give money to UNRWA, as you know.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Yes.</p> <p>Mr Innes-Brown: That covers Palestinian refugees in Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon and Jordan, and in Syria where it is possible to reach them.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Maybe the question is: are you covering it through UNRWA or are you covering it in any other way, considering—</p> <p>Mr Innes-Brown: We will have to check with our partners and come back to you on that if that is okay.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Leaving the specifics of what has happened in the last week, has Australian aid been used to assist people rendered homeless because of the demolitions of Palestinian homes?</p> <p>Mr Innes-Brown: I will have to take that on notice.</p>	Page 68-69	03/05/16	04/05/16

177	DFAT	Rhiannon	Water and sanitation	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Is there anybody here who has details of the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council and what state that is in following the cuts?</p> <p>Mr McDonald: Mr Exell may be able to help; I am not sure.</p> <p>Mr Exell: I am not familiar with the collaborative council, as you referred to it. I would have to take that on notice if there are specific implications for that support.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: If you could take on notice please how much has been cut from the council, and what changes have resulted with regard to the work that they undertake.</p> <p>Mr Exell: Yes.</p>	Page 70	03/05/16	04/05/16
178	DFAT	Rhiannon	Global Polio Eradication Initiative	<p>Senator RHIANNON: And that is what has been confirmed in that correspondence that we read about between DFAT and who?</p> <p>Mr Exell: I would have to take on notice who that correspondent was specifically, but, yes, those are the confirmed amounts.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: When we are looking at your overall budget, does this come out of the allocation to the World Bank or out of the allocation to the GPEI for those multilateral groups?</p> <p>Mr Exell: I would have to go back, check and take that on notice. It comes out of, in essence, the global health budgets that sit within my division. I could not answer as to whether it comes out of the multilateral or World Bank. We will take that one on notice.</p>	Page 71	03/05/16	04/05/16
179	DFAT	Gallacher	Funding – Vanuatu	<p>Senator GALLACHER: If we do a little bit of work between the two spreadsheets, we come up with a reduction in a number of places. In 2015-16, let us look at Vanuatu on that line. In June 2015, Vanuatu was \$41.16 million and in February it is slightly less.</p> <p>Mr Wood: Correct.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: Is that because of a summation?</p>	Page 71	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>Is it because you are not at the end of the year and you have not spent all the money? What is that difference?</p> <p>Mr Wood: The 2015 report captured contracts and commitments that were in place. Given that the 2016 report has a slightly lower amount, the likelihood is that some of the original funding for 2015 has been moved into a subsequent financial year. You will notice, for example, that in the 2016-17 year in the first report for 2015 there is an amount of \$27 million, and in the more recent one it is \$35 million. We can take on notice the precise answer to that, but that is likely what has happened.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: I think we will need to have it on notice. I just want to understand what is happening.</p>			
180	DFAT	Ludlam	BHP mining in Brazil	<p>Senator LUDLAM: I am going to jump around the world a bit; I have a few things for different parts of the portfolio. I want to quickly bring you to the collapse of the BHP and Vale Samarco dam that released polluted mining tailings and destroyed townships and livelihoods in Brazil. Have we got somebody with expertise at the desk? While we were doing the Americas I figured we would stay put. When was the last time the foreign minister was briefed on the Samarco disaster?</p> <p>Dr Hammer: I do not have the exact date, but she is certainly aware of it. So are the other Australian ministers—Minister Frydenberg and Minister Robb—both of whom have expressed condolences to their Brazilian counterparts.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: As is appropriate. I understand some BHP officials have travelled to the site, but have any Australian officials done so?</p> <p>Dr Hammer: I am not aware of whether any Australian officials have actually travelled to the site. I will take it on notice if that is okay.</p>	Page 77	03/05/16	04/05/16

181	DFAT	Ludlam	BHP mining in Brazil	<p>Senator LUDLAM: You have it there. If you could take a very quick look at the back page and the signatories there, are you able to identify whether any representation has been made by those individuals to the Australian government, either to the department or the foreign minister's office directly?</p> <p>Dr Hammer: Sure. I will have to check in relation to the foreign minister's office, but I am pretty confident that none of them have made representations to the department or the rest of the government. But I should take that on notice because I want to be sure, so I will check that for you.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Understood—thanks. You said you thought you might have seen a draft. Is it ringing a bell now that you have a copy to hand?</p> <p>Dr Hammer: Actually, I do not think I have seen this particular letter.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: It is addressed to the international community, but it is addressed specifically to the Australian parliament. So here we are. If you have not had time to look at it, what I might put to you is whether you believe it would be appropriate—and I suppose the foreign minister would be the appropriate individual to do so—to reply to such a piece of correspondence.</p> <p>Dr Hammer: Without having properly had a chance to read the letter and see what its contents are, I would not like to chance my arm at answering that at this stage.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: I do not know whether that is quite characterised as taking it on notice, but that is a request I am putting to the foreign minister, through you, Dr Hammer.</p> <p>Dr Hammer: Okay.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: It would be my view that an appropriate response would be a reply.</p> <p>Dr Hammer: Let's take that on notice or take that as a request to the foreign minister.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Understood. Can I backtrack for one</p>	Page 78	03/05/16	04/05/16
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				<p>moment. Did you put to us before that a number of ministers, including the foreign minister, had been in contact with their Brazilian counterparts expressing their condolences? Is that the case?</p> <p>Dr Hammer: Yes, that is right. My understanding is that Minister Frydenberg and Minister Robb both expressed condolences to their Brazilian counterparts.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: This might be more sensible in the trade or industry portfolios or elsewhere, but are you aware of whether BHP has approached the Australian government for assistance in compensation?</p> <p>Dr Hammer: No, I am not. I think I probably would know if that had happened, so I expect that it has not but I cannot be 100 per cent sure. Those other departments, counterpart departments, may know more.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Some of those hearings are occurring as we speak in other rooms. Am I able in a whole-of-government way to put that request through you to see whether requests have been made, without me chasing the individual portfolios?</p> <p>Dr Hammer: Yes, certainly.</p>			
182	DFAT	Gallacher	Aid delivered by contractors	<p>Senator GALLACHER: Can we get a 2014-15 figure, either now or on notice?</p> <p>Mr Dawson: I do not have a dollar figure.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: Can we get the dollar figure on notice?</p> <p>Mr Dawson: Sure.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: But, if we are working on the assumption it is 20 per cent of your budget, it would be close to \$1 billion?</p> <p>Mr McDonald: It would be less, actually, because the total is \$4 billion at the moment, isn't it? No, it is \$5 billion. So it is \$1 billion—sorry.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: In that amount, do we have the total number of contractors who are currently providing ODA?</p> <p>Mr Dawson: I will take that on notice. We have the</p>	Page 79	03/05/16	04/05/16

				information, but I just do not have it immediately to hand.			
183	DFAT	Gallacher	Aid delivered by NGOs, contractors and multilaterals	<p>Senator GALLACHER: Before we go to Fiji, can I have a breakdown—and I think someone started to do it—of the proportion of ODA delivered by NGOs, contractors and multilaterals? So let's continue on.</p> <p>Mr McDonald: Yes.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: Can we also have the total amount of funding delivered by contractors in 2014-15? Do we know how much that is? Is it \$200 million, \$1 billion?</p> <p>Mr McDonald: Mr Dawson might have that, but if it is 20 per cent of the program it would be about \$1 billion, but I would have to check.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: Can we get a 2014-15 figure, either now or on notice?</p> <p>Mr Dawson: I do not have a dollar figure.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: Can we get the dollar figure on notice?</p> <p>Mr Dawson: Sure.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: If I could say the big three—how much per annum over the last three years?</p> <p>Mr Dawson: I do not have the last three years' figures. As I said, they are relatively representative but 2014-15 financial year, the last financial year completed, Palladium International, \$140.8 million; Cardno Emerging Markets, \$130.7 million; and Coffey International, \$117.2 million.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: If we could get those in retrospect—</p> <p>Mr McDonald: We will take the other two years on notice.</p>	Page 79-81	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>...</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: If Senator Dastyari were here, he would ask this question: where do they pay their tax? That will tell us where they are headquartered.</p> <p>Mr Dawson: That would be a matter for the taxation department.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: No, it is a matter for us. If they are headquartered in the Cayman Islands, are they paying any tax? That is all. So we want to know where they are headquartered.</p> <p>Mr McDonald: We will take that on notice.</p>			
184	DFAT	Fawcett	East Timor	<p>Senator FAWCETT: If she were looking to explore a major policy shift that would impact on Australia's relationship with East Timor, that is not the sort of thing you would expect to be covered in an introduction-to-country briefing from the ambassador. That would be more something that you would give here from the department.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I think if that was the focus it would be a different type of briefing, and I am not sure that our post—again, I would need to check—would have been in a position to know that that was the purpose of the visit.</p> <p>Senator FAWCETT: Can you take on notice how long the briefing was and whether or not it covered the kind of detail around the legal and financial implications of that kind of policy shift.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I am happy to do that.</p>	Page 82-83	03/05/16	04/05/16
185	DFAT	Ludlam	West Bank visit	<p>Senator LUDLAM: I did not take that as an implication. What briefing was provided to the department? Maybe because I have one other quick question I want to get in, I might just ask you to take the following on notice, just in the interests of time, because the chair is winding me up. Could you provide us some information about what kind of briefing was provided by the department and whether the department can provide further information on the meeting, such as an agenda or any briefing documents that attended that meeting, and whether</p>	Page 85	03/05/16	04/05/16

				there was any follow-up, either with the minister or representatives at the Palestinian authority in light of his comments about the meeting? I know that is a fair bit there, but in the interest of time I might move us on.			
186	DFAT	Gallacher	Confidential material disposal	<p>Senator GALLACHER: You would not be on your own in terms of size and the need to maintain confidentiality about your waste. Has anybody else done it? Or are you a leader in this space?</p> <p>Mr Williams: With the destructor! I am not aware, within the Commonwealth government, of anyone utilising one at the moment, but I can take that on notice.</p>	Page 88	03/05/16	04/05/16
187	DFAT	Xenophon	Timor Sea	<p>Senator XENOPHON: Going back to the treaty on CMATS, Certain Maritime Arrangements in the Timor Sea, article 4.6 states: Neither Party shall raise or pursue in any international organisation matters that are, directly or indirectly, relevant to maritime boundaries or delimitation in the Timor Sea. Yesterday at the National Press Club, the shadow foreign minister stated: If we are not successful in negotiating a settlement with our neighbour, we are prepared to submit ourselves to international adjudication or arbitration. In light of that statement, Mr Varghese—this is by no means a criticism of Ms Plibersek; I am just trying to understand what that technically means—would this article, or CMATS as a whole, have to be nullified before such a case could begin, from a technical point of view?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I would have to take that on notice. I do not know if Mr French is in a position to respond.</p>	Page 92	03/05/16	04/05/16

188	DFAT	Xenophon	Archives	<p>Senator XENOPHON: I am happy for you to take that on notice; it is of a technical nature. Going back to where you said the Antarctic territories are a special case, you have jogged my memory. Sir John Latham was a foreign minister in the Lyons government in the 1930s. Apparently, the papers prepared in his office in relation to the Antarctic territories and post the Mawson expedition from 1929 to 1931 have still not been declassified. It has been about 80 or so years. Can you tell me, if you happen to know, or can you take on notice: what is so sensitive about those papers prepared some 80 years ago in relation to the issue of Australia's annexation of the Antarctic territories?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I have no idea.</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: But it is a good question, isn't it? They are still relevant. It has been 80 years, and we still do not know what they are.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: He was a very brilliant man. Maybe all his writings have a very contemporary feel to them. I do not know.</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: All the more reason why we should see them!</p> <p>Mr Varghese: It is really a question you should address to the National Archives. The declassification of documents—</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: Although the National Archives do take advice from your department very seriously, don't they? They are guided, in many respects, by the department as to whether something ought to be released or not.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Let me take on notice whether we have expressed a view on the continuing sensitivity of those papers.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: While we are on blasts from the past, there is also Sir George Knowles, who was the Commonwealth Solicitor-General and the Secretary of</p>	Page 92	03/05/16	04/05/16
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				<p>the Attorney-General's Department. His memos to Sir John Latham of the Lyons government and another cabinet submission in respect of the Antarctic territories are, apparently, yet to be declassified. Could you take that on notice as well?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I will.</p>			
189	DFAT	McEwen	Fiji	<p>Senator McEWEN: On 15 January this year, the Fiji Sun online reported that several containers carrying Russian-made weapons had arrived in Suva. That report contained a claim from Fijian parliamentarian, the opposition whip, and spokesperson on foreign affairs, Ratu Isoa Tikoca, that the consignment contained 20 containers of armed trucks and a helicopter. Has the department made any inquiries of the Fijian government regarding the contents of the containers?</p> <p>Mr Sloper: Not to my knowledge.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: There has been no engagement with the Fijian government about that?</p> <p>Mr Sloper: Not on that specific issue, no. We have a Defence Cooperation Program with Fiji and we exchange views on a range of issues, but I am not aware myself of any direct discussions with regard to that shipment.</p> <p>Senator McEWEN: Would you be able to take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Sloper: Sure, happy to do so.</p>	Page 94	03/05/16	04/05/16
190	DFAT	McEwen	Expo 2017	<p>Senator McEWEN: Has Australia been invited to and has it committed to participating in Expo 2017 in Kazakhstan?</p> <p>Mr Tranter: I understand that an invitation has been provided to the government. I am not aware of a response to that invitation. I will have to take that on notice.</p>	Page 95	03/05/16	04/05/16

191	DFAT	Wong	Minister's visit to Singapore - Wilmar International	<p>Mr Brown: What I meant was that the prospect of the regulation coming into force was known to the minister and department, and obviously we had been keeping the minister briefed on those developments fairly closely over a period of time.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Has the issue of the reregulation of the industry been raised with DFAT officers prior to the minister's visit to Singapore?</p> <p>Mr Brown: By whom?</p> <p>Senator WONG: By anyone.</p> <p>Mr Brown: It has been discussed amongst agencies, of course.</p> <p>Senator WONG: And stakeholders?</p> <p>Mr Brown: I am not able to give you a comprehensive answer to that question. I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Mr Brown: It was clear that he was asking the question as to how foreign investors ought to interpret the attitude of sub-federal governments towards foreign investment going forward. That was the extent of his comment.</p> <p>Senator WONG: What did Mr Robb say? What was his response?</p> <p>Mr Brown: I would have to take that on notice. It do not recall the minister's comments in specific terms. He did speak in detail about the federal government's approach. The context of the meeting was in relation to attracting foreign investment in northern Australia. To the best of my recollection, the minister's comments were very much along the lines of repeating the messages about the government's vision for northern Australia and Mr Robb's general messages were about the Australian government being open for business and welcoming foreign investment.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: Has advice, as yet, been provided to</p>	Page 97-100	15/04/16	04/05/16
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				<p>government? I do not mean formal legal advice but advice on this matter—that is, the Queensland legislative change and the FTA issues. Has advice on those issues been provided to government?</p> <p>Mr Brown: Yes.</p> <p>Senator WONG: When was that advice first provided?</p> <p>Mr Brown: I would have to take that on notice.</p>			
192	DFAT	Wong	TPP	<p>Senator WONG: Can I move now to the TPP. Between the release of the text on 5 November and the signing on 4 February, were any changes made or additional material such as provisions or letters released?</p> <p>Ms Ward: As for the text, the legal scrub was still ongoing at the time of the release of the text. That was made clear when we released the text. The legal scrub was still ongoing, so changes were made in that context. As for the release of further side letters, my recollection is that all side letters were released at that time, but I—</p> <p>Senator WONG: That time meaning the 5th November?</p> <p>Ms Ward: On the 5th. But I will take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: Leaving that aside, can you take on notice—I think you have—any additional material that was not released at the time.</p> <p>Ms Ward: Certainly.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Were any meetings held on the sidelines at the TPP signing ceremony?</p> <p>Ms Ward: Yes.</p> <p>Senator WONG: With whom?</p> <p>Ms Ward: There was a plenary meeting of senior negotiators. There was a plenary meeting of all ministers, and there were a number of bilateral meetings organised between various parties.</p> <p>Senator WONG: On notice, can you provide me with the itinerary and also the costs of that visit?</p> <p>Ms Ward: Certainly.</p>	Page 100-101	21/04/16	04/05/16

193	DFAT	Whish-Wilson	TPP	<p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: I know it sounds simplistic, but in my home town of Launceston if the hospital wanted to give a food contract to a local small business would that be subject to potential complaint by a foreign supply services company if the tender is given to a local business?</p> <p>Ms Ward: No.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: It will not be, unless it is a state government owned—</p> <p>Ms Ward: No, hospitals are exempt.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: They are exempt, are they? What other institutions are exempt?</p> <p>Ms Ward: I would need to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: If you could please, thank you.</p>	Page 103	03/05/16	04/05/16
194	DFAT	Whish-Wilson	TPP	<p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: I would like that requirement changed so that we can outsource it to the Productivity Commission or someone independent. I am just trying to get an idea of what it would cost to get the independent analysis done of a deal like this. If you could assist me with how much time and resources you put into that, that would be very useful.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: The World Bank did an analysis.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: Part of an analysis, yes. We will get to that later. Can you tell us how long it took to conduct the national interest analysis roughly? I suppose if you are providing the time and resources, I can work that out as well.</p> <p>Ms Ward: I will take it on notice.</p>	Page 103	21/04/16	04/05/16
195	DFAT	Whish-Wilson	TPP	<p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: Can a corporation use the most favoured nation provisions in the TPP such that standards contained in bilateral agreements can replace standards contained in the TPP? I can put them on notice.</p> <p>Ms Ward: Please—if you would not mind.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: I will send them to you.</p> <p>Ms Ward: My understanding is that you cannot treaty-</p>	Page 106	21/04/16	04/05/16

				shop using provisions of this treaty.			
196	DFAT	Whish-Wilson	TPP	<p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: In relation to what I asked you, Ms Ward, about the most favoured nation status, does DFAT have any legal advice on how that works in line with existing ISDS clauses? If so, could I get a copy of that?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I do not know whether we do have legal advice but, if we do, we normally take the view that it is not made public and is considered, effectively, legal professional privilege.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: On a matter of public interest—a deal that is being negotiated on behalf of Australians? Why would that be?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: Because legal advice to the government remains confidential to the government, and it would be up to the government to choose whether to share that legal advice in some other form or in full form. I am just saying what our practice is.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: So I will go through the channels to see if I can get a copy?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: If it exists. I do not know if it exists.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: Minister, could you take that on notice? Senator Wong is a lot more experienced than I am, so I will ask you to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WONG: They will say no. I can almost guarantee it.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: Minister, could you take that on notice, please.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I have already said I would.</p>	Page 106	03/05/16	04/05/16

197	DFAT	Wong	TPP	<p>Senator WONG: Ms Ward, let's go back to the employer sponsorship requirements. Tell me if this is correct—what labour market testing, which is already required, would be preserved by that phrase 'employer sponsorship requirements'. You cannot tell me what existing labour market testing requirements might be preserved by that—correct?</p> <p>Ms Ward: That is correct.</p> <p>Senator WONG: So if you can take that on notice I would appreciate that.</p> <p>Ms Ward: I will do so.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: What I also want to know is the extent to which a parliament could impose additional labour market testing that is not currently in existence pursuant to that provision.</p> <p>Ms Ward: The agreement is concluded.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I am asking a different point. I get that. I am not saying, 'Are we going to renegotiate an agreement?' Article 12 says you have to set out what your commitments are in relation to labour movement in your annex, and they are the only commitments you set out. We then say, 'Here in our annex we don't make a general reservation of labour market testing but we say in the definition that employer sponsorship requirements effectively will be maintained.' I am trying to understand the space that creates in terms of a future parliament.</p> <p>Ms Ward: This is technical detail I am not across. I will take that on notice. The JSCOT process will be starting fairly shortly and there will be people able to answer those questions.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: Again, my question arises: to what extent does this enable, without breaching the TPP and without acting in a manner contrary to the agreement, a future parliament or a future government to impose additional protection such as labour market testing over</p>	Page 110-111	21/04/16	04/05/16
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				and above what there currently is? Ms Ward: I will take that on notice.			
198	DFAT	Wong	TPP	<p>Senator WONG: Thank you. I have a lot more questions on article 12 and the annexe. I would invite you to perhaps review my questions and provide us with a timely response. I will move on to the labour chapter. For question on notice No. 137, you advise me that labour chapter was finalised 'several years ago'. When was this chapter concluded, and what changes were made? That was question on notice No. 137, answer at paragraph 2: you made the point that this chapter was finalised several years ago. I want to know when it was finalised initially.</p> <p>Ms Ward: It was finalised in 2014.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Can you tell me: were there any changes made between 2014 and the signing of the text?</p> <p>Ms Ward: I will have to take that on notice. The whole chapter underwent a legal scrub along with the entire 30 chapters and all of the schedules and annexes, so it is likely that some changes were made. I am not aware— ... Senator WONG: Of course. You did it 'parallel track' as it were. If you could take on notice my question, which may well be covered by my earlier question for which you are going to give me a disk or a big document with lots of markings on it. Correct?</p> <p>Ms Ward: Yes. ... Senator WONG: Okay. In an interview on ABC radio on 4 February the minister said: We've had extensive discussions over the labour chapter and they did influence the way that we went and there are for the first time labour provisions in this agreement</p>	Page 113-114	21/04/16	04/05/16

			<p>that have never been there before which will ensure that in some countries which might be abusing youth workers and all the rest, that they will not be able to do that.</p> <p>Can you tell me what are the provisions that will 'ensure' that member states will not abuse youth workers?</p> <p>Ms Ward: The fundamental provisions of the chapter as set out in article 19.3.1, which requires 'each party shall adopt and maintain in its statutes and regulations the following rights as stated under the ILO declaration'. This includes: ... the effective abolition of child labour and, for the purposes of this Agreement, a prohibition on the worst forms of child labour;</p> <p>Senator WONG: When the minister says 'youth workers', is that a reference to child labour?</p> <p>Ms Ward: That is my understanding.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I was not being mischievous. I am just trying to clarify there is not anything further.</p> <p>Ms Ward: That is my understanding.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Okay. What is the reference to 'all the rest'? Do you know what he is denoting in that? It says: ... which will ensure that in some countries which might be abusing youth workers and all the rest, that they will not be able to do that ...</p> <p>Is that a reference to another class of worker?</p> <p>Ms Ward: I guess I am just understanding it on the face of the language he is using. I would understand it as, 'the other labour rights as stated under the ILO declaration'.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Are you able, on notice, to provide the other elements of the labour chapter that benefit workers in TPP member countries?</p> <p>Ms Ward: Yes.</p>			
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199	DFAT	Wong	TPP	<p>Senator WONG: I do not quite understand the various rights in terms of people's capacity to utilise an ISDS provision as between the TPP and a bilateral FTA. If I want to take an ISDS claim against a TPP partner—this is on the assumption that the agreement comes into force—do I have to choose under which agreement I take action?</p> <p>Ms Ward: Yes.</p> <p>Senator WONG: But I can choose?</p> <p>Ms Ward: Yes.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Does this agreement make it clear that, if you take action under a bilateral arrangement, you are then barred from taking action under the TPP?</p> <p>Ms Ward: I am not sure about that. I would want to check that.</p> <p>Senator WONG: You have placed some emphasis on the new safeguards in the TPP ISDS provisions. Those safeguards may not exist in some of the bilateral arrangements, right?</p> <p>Ms Ward: That is correct. We have made a significant effort, in the margins of the TPP negotiations, where we have had bilateral investment promotion protection agreements to have those treaties removed.</p> <p>Senator WONG: What you mean?</p> <p>Ms Ward: For instance, a number of the side letters will reflect determination of bilateral investment promotion and protection agreements—with Mexico, Vietnam and Peru.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Can we do this on notice?</p> <p>Ms Ward: Yes.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Are you able to provide for me, and maybe in a tabular form might be best, which FTAs or IPPAs are relevant—that is, we have with TPP member nations—which have had their application altered by virtue of the process you have just outlined?</p> <p>Ms Ward: Yes.</p> <p>Senator WONG: And can you give us some comparison</p>	Page 115	21/04/16	04/05/16
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				<p>of those ISDS rights as compared to the TPP? Ms Ward: Certainly. I can tell you that, where we have had a bilateral investment treaty, an IPPA, all of those with TPP parties have been terminated.</p>			
200	DFAT	Wong	TPP	<p>Senator WONG: Does the effect of those words, and how people have broadly agreed to interpret them at this point of time, mean no change to the Australian system in terms of practice, procedure, administration or law; but it would make it more difficult for that system to be changed to reduce protection for data exclusivity? Do you get what I am saying? Ms Ward: I do. I do not believe so. We worked very closely with the Department of Health, IP Australia and the Therapeutic Goods Administration in ensuring that Australia was not locked in to current procedures and that further reforms could be envisaged under this outcome. Senator WONG: How do I get some sense of the space for that? What can I read or what can we look at that gives some clarity to what changes could be contemplated or how our ability to regulate further is preserved? Ms Ward: I would like to take that on notice and think about it, because I do not think it is very straightforward. We are talking about all sorts of different processes here. Senator WONG: Nothing in this area is straightforward.</p>	Page 116	21/04/16	04/05/16
201	DFAT	Wong	Doha round	<p>Senator WONG: Was the decision to end the Doha Round taken by the cabinet? Ms Ward: I will have to take that on notice. If I could just add here— Senator WONG: Really? You do not know whether it went to cabinet or not? Mr Brown: There was a discussion in cabinet around the mandate for Nairobi and this issue was covered.</p>	Page 116	15/04/16	04/05/16

202	DFAT [Efic]	Wong	QON 148	<p>1. In relation to answer to Question on Notice no. 148 from Supplementary Budget Estimates, it appears that the answer is partially incomplete.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please provide information on <i>how</i> and <i>when</i> this partnership eventuated. - EFIC advised that the 'partnership was initiated by EFIC's former Head of Channel Management'. Who was that, when did he or she leave EFIC and what role do they have now. - Who is, or was at the time, Scottish Pacific's Head of Trade Finance. <p>2. EFIC also previously advised in that response that 'no other non-bank partners were considered', but that 'EFIC continually considers potential alliance partnerships'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How do these statements fit together? 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
203	DFAT [Efic]	Wong	Turnaround time	<p>1. EFIC has reduced its average turnaround times on transactions from 100 days to 77 days, and from 140 days for complex transactions 80 days.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How do these turnaround times compare with other finance institutions. - Is EFIC targeting to reduce these turnaround times even further. If so, please describe. If not, why not. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
204	DFAT [Efic]	Wong	Business Weeks	<p>1. In relation to EFI's participation in each of the Government's Business Weeks in 2015:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who attended on behalf of EFIC. • What was the purpose of EFIC's involvement. • Did EFIC achieve any outcomes as a result of this participation. If so, please describe. • What were EFIC's associated costs. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>2. What Business Weeks will EFIC participate in over 2016, and who will attend.</p> <p>3. Does EFIC have outcome targets or a strategy relating to what it would like to obtain from its time and resource investment in these weeks. If so, please describe. If not, are there other KPIs. If so, please describe. If not, why not.</p>			
205	DFAT [Efic]	Wong	Iraq	<p>1. Please provide an update on any remaining involvement by EFIC regarding the final payouts from the Iraq debt default on Australian Wheat that arose from the first Gulf War in 1990.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is EFIC involved in the Iraq Funds Distribution Project managed by Ferrier Hodgson. If so please describe. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
206	DFAT	Wong	FTAs	<p>1. How is the Department monitoring the implementation and usage of the North Asian bilateral FTAs that came into effect in the past 14 months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What measures are used. - Will the Department post results on its website or otherwise make available to the public. <p>2. The Korea-Australia FTA has been in force the longest of the three recent FTAs, what impact on the economy and on jobs has this FTA had since its implementation.</p> <p>3. DFAT commissioned and paid for two economic modelling studies by CIE relating to these agreements – one specific to KAFTA (March 2014) and one relating the three recent North Asian FTAs (12 June 2015).</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How are the actual results comparing to the modelled results. - Have there been any Rules of Origin (including different certification rules) issues arising from any of the FTAs. 			
207	DFAT	Wong	KAFTA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In relation to committee meetings pursuant to KAFTA: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide a copy of the agenda, minutes and supporting documents the KAFTA Joint Committee first met in Manila on 16 November 2015. 2. When and where will the following other KAFTA committee meetings be held, and who will represent Australia: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Committee on Trade in Goods, B. Committee on Rules of Origin and Trade Facilitation, C. Committee on OPZs on the Korean Peninsula, D. Committee on Financial Services, E. Working Group on Professional Services, F. Committee on Intellectual Property, and G. Joint Committee. H. Please provide costs associated with each of these committee meetings. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

208	DFAT	Wong	JAEPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In relation to the 13 committees established pursuant to JAEPA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. What committees will meet in 2016. B. When and where will each committee meeting be held. C. Who will represent Australia at each. D. Will a copy of agendas, minutes and supporting documents be made available? If so, where. If not, why not. E. Will consultations be held in relation to an Investor-State Dispute Resolution (ISDS) mechanism for JAEPA, as a result of Australia subsequently negotiating an ISDS provision in ChAFTA. If so, will there be public consultations. F. Has DFAT increased staffing levels to accommodate these committee meetings and additional work under JAEPA. If so, please describe, including costings. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
209	DFAT	Wong	ChAFTA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In relation to ChAFTA committees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. How many committees will be established pursuant to ChAFTA. B. Since ChAFTA came into effect on 20 December 2015, have any ChAFTA related committees been formed, met, or scheduled meetings? If so, please provide details. C. How will DFAT staff and service these committees. Will there be increased staff demands or numbers. What is the estimated cost of participation in these ChAFTA committees. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

210	DFAT	Wong	North Asian FTAs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the annual cost of Australia's participation in all committees under each of these North Asian FTAs. 2. What is the annual cost of Australia's participation in committees under all of its FTAs. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
211	DFAT	Wong	North Asian FTAs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What has Government spent to date on its FTA promotion campaign and activities to promote these North Asian FTAs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What funds have been committed to further future promotions, and across what time frame. - What are the tangible results to the economy and jobs from this promotional activity spending. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
212	DFAT	Wong	FTA portal	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide site statistics for the new FTA Portal (www.ftaportal.dfat.gov.au) since the site was released publicly on 9 October 2015. 2. Regarding the North Asia FTA seminar series: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is the duration of each seminar. - Who typically presents the seminars. - Do the presenters fly to the location for the sole purpose of the seminar presentation. - What staff and travel costs are associated with these seminars. - What additional efforts did DFAT take to increase attendance prior to running seminars. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please provide the attendance levels, costs and outcomes of the seminars held in November and December 2015. - Please provide details of all seminars planned for 2016, including locations, 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				costs, and presenters.			
				3. Are the FTA promotional activities having the desired effect of significantly increasing SME export activity to these markets?			
213	DFAT	Wong	Australia - India Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement	<p>1. In response to Question on Notice no. 126 from Supplementary Budget Estimates, DFAT re-iterated that the <i>"parties are working towards conclusion of Australia-India CECA negotiations by the end of this year [2015]"</i>.</p> <p>A. Have the negotiations concluded. B. At what stage are the negotiations. C. Why were the negotiations not completed by the end of 2015. D. What chapters are closed. E. What are the key areas to be resolved.</p> <p>2. Will there be a movement of natural persons chapter in this agreement. A. If so, is this chapter concluded. B. Does, or will, the chapter reserve policy space for labour market testing. If not, why not.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
214	DFAT	Wong	Indonesia – Australia Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement	<p>In November 2015, Mr Robb announced that Indonesia and Australia would recommence negotiations on this trade agreement in 2016.</p> <p>A. Have negotiations commenced. B. When and where are the 2016 negotiation meetings. C. Minister Robb also announced that negotiations on the IA-CEPA could be concluded within 12 months. Is this timeframe agreed by both sides. Is it feasible.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

215	DFAT	Wong	Australian Gulf Cooperation Council Free Trade Agreement	<p>1. Please provide an update on negotiations on the Australian Gulf Cooperation Council Free Trade Agreement.</p> <p>2. Has there been any progress on this agreement since the foreign ministers approved resumption of FTA negotiations in March 2014. If not, why not.</p> <p>3. Is the Government still pursuing this FTA.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
216	DFAT	Wong	Mr Colbeck's Middle East visit	<p>1. What was the full cost of Minister Colbeck's trip to the Middle East in January 2016. Please provide details broken down by the following categories (flights, accommodation, hospitality, details of any upgrades received).</p> <p>2. How many staff accompanied the Minister. Please specify number of staff, whether from Department or Ministerial office, full costs of staff travel, any flight or accommodation upgrades received.</p> <p>3. Were any events hosted in any of Australia's official posts in the Middle East including but not limited to:</p> <p>United Arab Emirates (UAE), Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Egypt. United Arab Emirates (Australian Embassy - Abu Dhabi) United Arab Emirates (Australian Consulate-General - Dubai) Kuwait (Australian Embassy - Kuwait) Saudi Arabia (Australian Embassy - Riyadh) Egypt (Australian Embassy - Cairo).</p> <p>4. What was the nature of the events. Please specify date, time, exact location, event title, full costs, including a specific listing of food and beverage menu, attendee names and companies or organisations represented.</p> <p>5. Were any attendees at any events listed on the</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				Register of Lobbyists. Is so please specify whom. Please provide a full itinerary of Mr Colbeck's trip.			
217	DFAT	Wong	Australia - European Union Free Trade Agreement	<p>1. Please provide an update on negotiations on a proposed FTA between Australia and the EU, announced on 15 November 2015.</p> <p>2. Has DFAT received any submissions to date regarding this proposed FTA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If yes, how many, and why are the submissions not publically available on the DFAT website. - If no, why not. What efforts were made to call for submissions. Was the closing date of 26 February 2016 too early. <p>3. Who will undertake a feasibility study relating to this agreement. What are the associated costs with this study. When is expected to be released.</p> <p>4. Will Australia propose or otherwise agree to ISDS provisions in this FTA, despite the developed legal systems within EU countries. If so, why.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
218	DFAT	Wong	FTA requests	<p>1. How has the Government responded to Taiwan's requests to commence negotiations on a bilateral FTA with Australia.</p> <p>2. Will the Australian Government commence negotiations with Taiwan on an FTA this year. If so, when. Please provide details.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

219	DFAT	Wong	SAFTA	<p>1. Please provide a status update relating to the scope and specifics of the third review of SAFTA.</p> <p>2. How did DFAT notify the public about this review and what information was provided.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How many individuals or entities were invited to make submissions. - When did DFAT send out requests for submission and in what format. - What was the closing date for submissions. - How many submissions have been received. - Why are the submission not publically available on DFAT's website. - What are the themes and main concerns/recommendations in these submissions. <p>3. How has the Australian-Singapore trade relationship changed since the implementation of this FTA in 2003.</p> <p>4. How will this trading relationship be affected by Australia's recent regional bilateral and plurilateral FTAs.</p>	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
220	DFAT	Wong	TPP	<p>1. Does the TPP require any changes to existing legislation dealing with Intellectual Property, such as the Copyright Act, the Patents Act, the Trade Marks Act, the Plant Breeder's Rights Act or the Designs Act. If so, what changes.</p> <p>2. Does the TPP require any changes to the administration of Australia's intellectual property legislation and systems including enforcement activities. If so, what changes.</p> <p>3. Does the TPP bind Australia's existing legislative provisions conferring intellectual property rights on rights holders.</p> <p>4. How does the level at which these rights are bound under the TPP compare to Australia's obligations on intellectual property under existing</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>trade agreements and/or international treaties on intellectual property.</p> <p>5. What are the costs relating to the TPP negotiations and signing incurred in this financial year.</p> <p>6. What is the budgeted cost for TPP related activities for the balance of this financial year.</p> <p>7. What was the cost of TPP negotiations for the prior financial year.</p> <p>8. What was the total cost on TPP negotiations since the change of Government in 2013.</p> <p>9. DFAT’s evidence at Additional Budget Estimates hearing on 25 February 2016 was that the phrase “employer sponsorship requirements” in Australia’s Annex 12-A of the TPP should be read down to exclude labour market testing, economic needs testing and numerical quotas. Please provide the explanation as to how and why the texts is to be so construed this way.</p> <p>10.If labour market testing has been waived, what other employer sponsorship or employment preconditions or regulatory requirements have also been waived. Please detail.</p> <p>11.Sections 140GB and 140GBA of the Migration Act require approved sponsors who nominate temporary migrants in certain occupations to carry out labour market testing. Why is this statutory requirement which applies to approved employer sponsors not covered by the phrase “employer sponsorship requirements” in the Annex 12-A schedule.</p> <p>12.If the TPP enters into force, is it possible for Australia to amend its commitments under Annex 12-A in the future?</p>			
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				13. What processes and timelines would this involve?			
221	DFAT	Wong	RCEP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide a status update on the negotiations of RCEP. 2. In response to Supplementary Budget Estimates question on notice no. 138, DFAT advised that its costs for Canberra-based officials relating to RCEP meetings in 2015 was \$723,000. Please provide a breakdown of that cost figure. 3. What are the further costs incurred since that time. 4. How are the parties proposing to handle the overlapping membership with the TPP. 	Written Q	21/04/16	04/05/16
222	DFAT	Wong	FTAAP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. With reference to question on notice no.139 from Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015, please provide a further update on the status on the progress of the '<i>Collective Strategic Study on Issues Relate to the Realisation of the Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific</i>'. 2. Is the first draft of the Study (which was due for completion by January 2016) finished. If so, what are the initial findings. If not, when will it be completed. 3. Is the final report still due by the end of 2016. 4. Has there been any other progress or meetings relating to the FTAPP. If so, please describe. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

223	DFAT	Wong	PACER PLUS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide a status update relating to work on PACER PLUS. 2. Will issues be finalised by May 2016. 3. Will there be a concluded agreement by June 2016, as instructed by the Pacific Islands Forum Trade Ministers. 4. What meetings and efforts are being held in 2016 towards these goals. 5. Will the text of the concluded negotiations be made public before signing. 6. Will Australia retain policy space for labour market testing. 7. What are the Department's costs associated with negotiation of this agreement. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
224	DFAT	Wong	Doha round	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why, as at 17 February 2016, does DFAT's website still refer to the <i>upcoming</i> WTO Ministerial Conference in Nairobi Kenya in December 2015. 2. Why does the DFAT website not outline outcomes for Australia from this Ministerial Conference. 3. What are, or will be, the effects or impacts of the Nairobi Ministerial outcomes on Australian agriculture, exports and economy. 4. Who represented Australia at the 10th Ministerial Conference in Nairobi. 5. What were the Department's costs associated with this conference. 6. What is the Government's position regarding the Doha Round. 7. What type of architecture and negotiating processes does Australia wish to see in the WTO in the coming period. 8. What is Australia's position on the WTO's requirements regarding the single undertaking and consensus decisions. 9. Has there been a reduction in resources relating to Australia's participation in the Doha Rounds. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				If so, please describe.			
225	DFAT	Wong	TiSA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At the 14th round of negotiations on TiSA held 29 November – 4 December 2015, all offers were reported to be on the table and the parties committed to intensifying discussion to move closer to conclusion. 2. What chapters are now closed. What chapters are outstanding. 3. Will Australia retain labour market testing in the temporary movement of business persons obligations. 4. Is the timeframe for conclusion of TiSA by the end of 2016 realistic. 5. When and where are the 2016 scheduled meetings relating to TiSA. Who will represent Australia. 6. What are the Department's costs associated with negotiation of this agreement. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
226	DFAT	Wong	Agreement on Environmental Goods	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is there now an agreed list of environmental goods. 2. Will the list be made public prior to conclusion of negotiations. 3. Who attended the 30 November – 4 December 2015 negotiation round for Australia. What were the associated costs of this round. 4. When and where are the next scheduled negotiation rounds. 5. Are the parties working towards concluding 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

				negotiations in 2016. If so, is this realistic.			
227	DFAT	Wong	Agreement on Government Procurement	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In response to question on notice no.141 from Supplementary Budget Estimates, Australia's non-public accession offer to the WTO Committee on Government Procurement is stated to reflect Australia's government procurement commitments in JAEPA. 2. JAEPA has been in force for just over a year now, has there been any economic activity pursuant to Chapter 17 on Government Procurement. If so, please explain. 3. Has DFAT received any feedback from industry or business on the terms of the JAEPA Government Procurement chapter. If so, please explain. 4. When are negotiations on Australia's offer to accede to the GPA expected to conclude. 5. Will the concluded agreement be assessed by JSCOT in the normal course of treaty evaluation and report. 6. Is it likely that there will be new or amended legislation, regulation or instruments required as a result of a concluded GPA. If so, please describe. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16

228	DFAT	Wong	Special Envoy for Trade	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On 18 February 2016, Mr Ciobo was sworn in as the Minister for Trade and Investment, and Mr Robb was moved to the backbench but appointed Special Envoy for Trade. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What is the role of the Special Envoy for Trade. Please describe. b. What is the legal status of a Special Envoy. c. What is the status of a Special Envoy vis-à-vis DFAT. d. Can a Special Envoy of Trade provide instructions or directions directly to DFAT or Austrade. e. How many staff does the Special Envoy of Trade have. Who are they. 2. With reference to the media release titled 'Robb signs sports MOU with Cuba' dated 25 February 2016: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Did Mr Robb sign the MOU on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia. b. Under what authority did Mr Robb sign for Australia. c. Who accompanied Mr Robb to Cuba. d. How many events did Mr Robb attend in Cuba. Who attended each event. e. What was the cost of this trip to Cuba. 3. What overseas travel is planned for Mr Robb this year. What is the purpose of each trip. Who will accompany Mr Robb. 	Written Q	15/04/16	04/05/16
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229	DFAT	Wong	SAFTA	<p>Senator WONG: Have you been engaged with any considerations in Treasury regarding any reference to the ACCC?</p> <p>Mr Brown: I think that is a question to direct to Treasury—</p> <p>Senator WONG: I will. I just wondered about your involvement.</p> <p>Mr Brown: We do understand that the issue of a referral that you have mentioned has been discussed in Treasury, but I do not have any up-to-date advice on specifically where a final decision has landed on that issue.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I cannot recall if I asked you this—I am tired, and it was a little while ago at the end of a long week—has the Singaporean government raised any concerns regarding the Queensland legislation?</p> <p>Mr Brown: The Singaporean government has made, as I recall—</p> <p>Senator WONG: Made representations.</p> <p>Mr Brown: one representation to the minister in the form of correspondence to Mr Robb.</p> <p>Senator WONG: And the approximate date of that?</p> <p>Mr Brown: It was recent—end of last year, or early this year. I will have to take that on notice, I apologise.</p> <p>Senator WONG: No, that is fine. What about the Chinese or Thai governments? I think, from memory, that both Chinese and Thai companies may be involved, or investors.</p> <p>Mr Brown: I would like to take that on notice. As far as I know we certainly had representations from the foreign-owned millers, but not from their host governments.</p>	Hansard 25 Feb., page 23	15/04/16	04/05/16
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230	DFAT	Wong	TPP	<p>Senator WONG: So the United States, because of what Congress has made clear in the circumscription of the authority of the USTR, cannot make an offer on migration laws—correct?</p> <p>Mr Stapleton: Correct.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I want to try to understand what is included under the phrase 'employer sponsorship requirements'. Can you provide me, on notice, with a list of Australia's existing immigration requirements which the government considers are covered by the phrase 'employer sponsorship requirements' in our next 12-A schedule?</p> <p>Mr Stapleton: I can take that on notice. Essentially, the way to look at it in terms of the current regime—the 457 visa program—is that we are talking about everything except labour market testing.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Or numerical quotas?</p> <p>Mr Stapleton: Or numerical quotas, but they are not applied in the current program with respect to contracted service providers and so on that are defined.</p> <p>Senator WONG: It is everything except for LMT?</p> <p>Mr Stapleton: Correct.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG: Are you able to, perhaps on notice, clarify that: what is the extent to which changes could be made and what changes could not be made under the existing TPP?</p> <p>Mr Brown: We can certainly take that on notice. It is, of course, a case-by-case proposition, as you understand, but we will certainly provide you with a response.</p>	Hansard 25 Feb., page 26	21/04/16	04/05/16
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231	DFAT	Wong	Special envoy for trade	<p>Senator WONG: Can you tell me what his role is? Mr Brown: I can only refer to the comments that the Prime Minister has made publicly. I am reluctant to go any further in the absence of the final charter letter. Senator Fierravanti-Wells: We will take that on notice. ... Senator WONG: Oh, I am sorry. He was the special envoy for trade, so I thought—have you had no role? Mr Brown: His appointment, and the roles and responsibilities he has going forward, will be defined by the Prime Minister. Senator WONG: You can transfer these questions to them if you want. How does his role differ from the role of the Minister for Trade and Investment and what is the legal status of a special envoy? Mr Brown: I would have to take those on notice to give you a precise answer. Senator WONG: Can you tell me what relationship DFAT has with Mr Robb now—other than him being a nice guy—as a special envoy? Mr Stapleton: Again, we will take that on notice. ... Mr Brown: The visit was already planned before Mr Robb left the portfolio, so our working assumption—and I really do need to take this on notice—is that the visit was discussed between Mr Robb and Mr Ciobo, and the visit proceeded on that basis. Senator WONG: What authority has Mr Ciobo given him? Mr Brown: I will have to take that on notice. Senator WONG: On what basis did he sign the MOU? What authority was he exercising? He is no</p>	Hansard 25 Feb., page 27-29	15/04/16	04/05/16
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				<p>longer a member of the executive. Mr Brown: I will have to take that on notice. ...</p> <p>Senator WONG: I am moving on to the memorandum of understanding that he signed. A press release went out—on your website, from memory. Can you tell me what the legal status of that is, and his legal authority to sign it?</p> <p>Mr Brown: I apologise, but we will have to take that on notice. We do not have that information at hand.</p>			
232	DFAT	Wong	Foreign Minister transcripts	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can a copy of Department's policy on what should and should not be on the Foreign Minister's ministerial website transcript page be provided? [http://foreignminister.gov.au/transcripts/Pages/default.aspx] 2. There are currently eight transcripts on the website from 15 September 2015 addressing the leadership spill – when were each of these interviews posted to the site? 3. At whose direction was each transcript posted? 4. Were any of the eight transcripts in question redacted or modified in any way? 5. At whose direction did each of these changes take place? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
233	DFAT	Wong	innovationX change	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department please provide an update on projects currently being worked on by the innovationXchange? 2. What is the cost of each project? 3. What is the purpose of each project? 4. What are the expected outcomes of each project? 5. What M&E frameworks are in place for each project and what measures will each project report against? 6. In reference to question on notice #15 from Supplementary Estimates, why is there a 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				\$480,000 difference between the cost of the projects listed and the estimated actual of \$18.98 million?			
234	DFAT	Wong	Fashion diplomacy	<p>Referring to the response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN 64:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the \$62,000 referred to in part B an additional spend on top of the \$55,000? 2. Does this mean the Department has awarded \$117,000 in fashion related “grants”? 3. Which organisations were the recipients of the \$62,000 in grants? 4. Does the \$314,414 figure cited in part D encompass the grants or does it only cover fashion events? 5. Have any fashion related spending commitments been made in the forward estimates? 6. Can the Department please provide detailed examples of how the #fashiondiplomacy program has opened new markets for the Australian fashion industry? 7. Can the Department provide an updated table (Oct 2015 to present) of fashion events and their costs as per Supplementary Estimates QoN #67? 8. Can the Department provide an updated list of all future fashion events in the planning stages? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

235	DFAT	Wong	ODA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What was the breakdown of DFAT ODA delivered through NGOs, contractors and multilateral organisations in 2014-15? 2. What is the expected breakdown of DFAT ODA delivered through NGOs, contractors and multilateral organisations in 2015-16? 3. What was the total funding amount (dollar value not percentage) that was delivered by commercial contractors in 2014-15? 4. What is the expected total funding amount (dollar value not percentage) that will be delivered by commercial contractors in 2015-16? 5. What is the total number of contractors who currently deliver DFAT ODA? 6. What are the names of each of those contractors? 7. What is the amount of ODA allocated to each of those contractors? 8. What is the nature of the programming run by each of those contractors and in what countries or regions does that programming occur? 9. What was the total funding amount (dollar value not percentage) that was delivered by NGOs in 2014-15? 10. What is the expected total funding amount (dollar value not percentage) that will be delivered by NGOs in 2015-16? 11. What is the total number of NGOs which currently deliver DFAT ODA? 12. What are the names of each of those NGOs? 13. What is the amount of ODA allocated to each of those NGOs? 14. What is the nature of the programming run by each of those NGOs and in what countries or regions does that programming occur? 15. In reference to this DFAT announcement [http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/grants-tenders-funding/tenders/business- 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
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				<p>notifications/Pages/proposed-single-facility-for-delivery-of-australias-bilateral-aid-program-in-fiji.aspx], is this the first instance of an Australian aid program being contracted out to a single service provider on this scale?</p> <p>a. Who will be allowed to apply for this tender?</p> <p>i. Will multinationals be eligible to apply?</p> <p>ii. Will multinationals with their headquarters overseas be eligible to apply?</p> <p>iii. Will companies with operations wholly outside Australia be eligible to apply?</p> <p>b. How will accountability and transparency be managed under the new arrangement?</p> <p>c. Has our national security been considered in making the decision to privatise the Fiji aid program? How?</p>			
236	DFAT	Wong	Aid cuts	<p>1. Recent committed fund tables provided by the Department (tabled in Budget Estimates and Additional Estimates) show \$1 million in cancelled funding for Kiribati's aid program across the forward estimates.</p> <p>a. How many contracts have been broken as part of that \$1 million cancellation?</p> <p>2. Recent committed fund tables provided by the Department (tabled in Budget Estimates and Additional Estimates) show \$3 million in cancelled funding for Mongolia's aid program across the forward estimates.</p> <p>a. How many contracts have been broken as part of that \$3 million cancellation?</p> <p>3. Recent committed fund tables provided by the Department (tabled in Budget Estimates and</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>Additional Estimates) show \$12 million in cancelled funding for Burma's aid program across the forward estimates.</p> <p>a. How many contracts have been broken as part of that \$12 million cancellation?</p> <p>4. Recent committed fund tables provided by the Department (tabled in Budget Estimates and Additional Estimates) show \$18 million in cancelled funding for the Palestinian Territory's aid program across the forward estimates.</p> <p>a. How many contracts have been broken as part of that \$18 million cancellation?</p>			
237	DFAT	Wong	New diplomatic posts	<p>1. In reference to the 2015-16 Budget announcement of five new posts (PBS 2015-16, pp 19, 24):</p> <p>a. What are the primary missions or purposes of each of these posts?</p> <p>b. Have locations been chosen for each of the posts – chancellery and residence locations?</p> <p>i. Are each of these new buildings or existing properties?</p> <p>ii. What is the cost of each?</p> <p>c. Supplementary Estimates question on notice #45 reported that four of the posts would have 10 a-based and 23 locally engaged staff – is this still the case? If not, what are the updated figures?</p> <p>d. In relation to the Buka post – how many A-based and how many locally engaged staff?</p> <p>e. When will each of these missions be officially “opened”?</p> <p>f. Have Heads of Mission been assigned for any of the five new posts?</p> <p>i. If yes, who has been appointed?</p> <p>ii. If not, when are appointments</p>	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>expected to be made?</p> <p>2. \$10.7 million has been allocated in the budget for the establishment of these five posts in the current financial year.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Is there an update to the expected budget for 2015-16? Is there an update to the forward estimates? What percentage of the \$10.7 million has been contracted or spent? 			
238	DFAT	Wong	Embassies and high commissions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Have any Australian overseas posts been combined in the past three years? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, which ones? Have any Australian overseas posts been combined with the embassies/high commissions of other countries (such as the UK) in the past three years, forming co-located posts? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, which ones? If yes to any of this, what was the cost saving? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
239	DFAT	Wong	Confidential material disposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With reference to the Canberra Times article on February 8 2016: "DFAT destroys up to one tonne of classified documents each week". <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What is the current number of DFAT staff involved in the transportation or destruction of classified documents? Do they have security clearances? What level? Is it their full time job? If not, what else are they responsible for? What is their salary range? Under the new arrangements highlighted in the article, how many staff will look after document destruction as a full time job? What will their salary range be? Will they have security clearances? What 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				level?			
240	DFAT	Wong	Appointments and postings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With regard to the table provided in Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #41: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What appointments have been made since the last Estimates? 2. Which posts are expected to be vacated in the next 12 months? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
241	DFAT	Wong	Secretary appointment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the Secretary's last day with the Department known? 2. When is it? 3. Is the recruitment process underway? 4. How many candidates are being considered? 5. Who is running the recruitment process? 6. Is there are panel? 7. How many people are on it? 8. Who are they? 9. What makes a good Secretary of DFAT – what qualities is the recruitment process looking for? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
242	DFAT	Wong	Staff profile	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What were the savings generated by the recent Departmental staff reduction of more than 500 jobs? 2. How many A-based staff did DFAT have in total in each year from 1986 to present? 3. How many A-based staff did DFAT have based overseas in each year from 1986 to present? 4. How is the Department advancing the status of women and gender equity within the Department? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

243	DFAT	Wong	Overseas visits	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In reference to the table provided in response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #88: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What travel has been undertaken by Minister Bishop and Minister Robb over the period from 22 October 2015 to present? b. For each visit: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. How many days have the Ministers spent in country? ii. Did s/he travel on a commercial or RAAF (VIP) flight? iii. What was the purpose of the visit? iv. How many staff travelled with him/her? v. Which staff members travelled with him/her? vi. Who did s/he meet with in country? vii. What were the outcomes of those meetings? 2. Since coming into office as Prime Minister, has Mr Turnbull travelled to any countries in addition to New Zealand, Indonesia, Germany, Turkey (G20), Philippines (APEC), Malaysia (EAS), Malta (CHOGM), France (COP21), Japan, Afghanistan, and the United States? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Can the Department confirm that list? b. Did DFAT support his program in those countries? c. What was the nature of the support provided in each country? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>3. Was the travel Minister Bishop undertook to the US on 16 January completely private/personal?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Did she meet all the costs herself? If not, what costs did the Australian Government meet? b. Did DFAT provide any assistance or support to her during her private travel including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. assistance on arrival in the airport? ii. an airport transfer? c. If so, many DFAT staff supported her airport arrival and transfer? d. Did she return to Australia between undertaking the private travel and attending <i>G'Day USA</i> events late the following week (21 January)? <p>4. Can the Department provide more information on the "Iron Chef-style Australian food event" which Mr Turnbull attended in Japan?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Who organised the event? b. Who met the costs? c. What were the costs incurred by DFAT? d. How many people attended the event? e. What was the purpose of the event? 			
244	DFAT	Wong	Minister's visit to New York	<p>Minister's visit to the Top of the Standard in New York in January 2016</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Did DFAT, including any posts in the United States, provide the Minister with any assistance? 2. Was the Minister provided with security? 3. Was the Minister provided with transport? 4. Any other assistance or support? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

245	DFAT	Wong	Minister's visit to the USA	<p>Minister's official visit to the United States starting in January 2016</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide the Minister's full official program for the visit. 2. Was the Minister provided with any assistance by DFAT, including any posts in the United States, in relation to any activities or events that were not part of the official program? 3. What were those activities or events? Please provide a full list, with location, venue and a comprehensive description for each. Please detail what assistance was provided by DFAT, including any posts in the United States, in relation to each of those activities or events. 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
246	DFAT	Wong	Indonesia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide an update on the political environment in West Papua? 2. What resources does the Department engage to monitor the situation in West Papua? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
247	DFAT	Wong	US Alliance	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. While in the US in November, Mr Turnbull was scolded by President Obama who had heard about the sale of the Port of Darwin through reading a newspaper – what measures have been put in place to make sure that an embarrassing diplomatic incident such as this one does not occur again? 2. When visiting Washington in mid-January the Prime Minister was invited to stay at Blair House. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Has the Foreign Minister been invited to stay at Blair House? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Have previous Australian Foreign Ministers been invited to stay at Blair House? c. If yes, which ones? d. Was Mr Abbott ever invited to stay at Blair House? e. Have previous Australian Prime Ministers been invited to stay at Blair House? f. If yes, which ones? g. Is there a cost associated with staying at Blair House? h. If yes, what is that cost and who met it when Prime Minister Turnbull stayed at Blair House? <p>3. What does the Department understand “lifestyle superpower” to mean?</p> <p>4. Is this a term used by the Department commonly?</p>			
248	DFAT	Wong	Russia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the Department consider Mr Abbott’s relationship with Russia’s President Putin to be a point of national pride? 2. Is the Department comfortable with the level of attention Mr Abbott’s “shirt-fronting” threat continues to get on the world stage? 3. Is the Department aware of the exchange between Foreign Minister Lavrov and Foreign Minister Bishop described in the 3 December 2015 Peter Hartcher article? 4. What is the Departments assessment of our current relationship with Russia? 5. Have Mr Abbott’s comments and the jokes/remarks that continue to resonate damaged our relations with Russia? 6. Have Mr Abbott’s comments and the jokes/remarks that continue to resonate damaged our ability to negotiate seriously with Russia? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

249	DFAT	Wong	World Expo	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Referring to the answer provided to Question 97 in writing from the Supplementary Estimates on 22 October 2015. In Question 3 the Department was asked: “Did the Department do a cost benefit analysis of participation? Please provide a copy of that analysis’s findings.” The answer was “No and N/A” But in the answer to question 7, it states that <i>“Australia’s participation at future World Expos is assessed on a case-by-case basis, balancing potential trade and investment benefits against the cost of participation.”</i> 2. How is an assessment which balances “potential trade and investment benefits against the cost of participation” different to a cost-benefit analysis? 3. Do you agree that an assessment, which in DFAT’s own words, balances benefits against costs of participation, could be seen to be a cost-benefit analysis? 4. So if the assessment conducted by DFAT about Expo Milano performed those functions but was not a cost benefit analysis, please explain the difference. 5. Did DFAT make a mistake in its answer to Question 3? 6. Referring to Question 7 within Question 97 in which DFAT states that <i>“Australia’s participation at future World Expos is assessed on a case-by-case basis, balancing potential trade and investment benefits against the cost of participation. Consideration includes strong economic links, compelling business benefits and private sector support; and the right fiscal environment in Australia for Government to finance participation.”</i> 7. What are the potential trade and investment benefits of Australia participating in: 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Expo Kazakhstan 2017? b. Expo Dubai 2020? <p>8. Are there compelling business benefits and private sector support for Australia’s participation in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Expo Kazakhstan 2017? b. Expo Dubai 2020? <p>9. Does Australia have strong economic links with</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Kazakhstan? b. The United Arab Emirates? <p>10. What is the definition of the “right fiscal environment?”</p> <p>11. Who decides the definition of the “right fiscal environment”?</p> <p>12. What factors affect the “right fiscal environment”?</p> <p>13. Is participation in World Fairs a cost or an investment?</p> <p>14. Does Australia have the right fiscal environmental to finance participation in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Expo Kazakhstan 2017? b. Expo Dubai 2020? 			
250	DFAT	Wong	Syria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What assessments had DFAT made about the level of humanitarian need in Syria, and Australia’s contribution, prior to the announcement of \$25 million on 4 February? 2. In 2015 and to date in 2016, what direct requests to the Government were made for contributions to humanitarian assistance for Syria, Iraq and other humanitarian emergencies? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. From whom? b. How much? c. For what purpose? 3. Did DFAT do an assessment of what would constitute Australia’s “fair share” ahead of the 4 Feb London Syria Donor Conference? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. How was it done and what were the criteria for determining this? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>b. How was the sum of \$20 million for Syria and \$5 million for Iraq arrived at?</p> <p>4. Given that the UK Government have pledged \$2.3 billion, the German Government \$3.6 billion and the US Government \$1.3 billion, does \$20 million for Syria and \$5 million for Iraq represent Australia's fair share?</p> <p>5. Oxfam estimates that Australia's "fair share" contribution to the Syrian refugee crisis in 2015 and at the London Syria Donor Conference was approximately \$170 million AUD and that our contribution in London therefore should have been \$125 million AUD (five times the actual) – how does DFAT assess that analysis?</p> <p>6. Have any international partners commented to the Department or to the Minister on whether or not the \$25 million is Australia's fair share?</p> <p>7. From where in the Budget will DFAT be taking the 4 Feb announcement of \$20 million for Syria and \$5 million for Iraq?</p> <p>8. The 2015-16 Budget allocated \$200 million to the Humanitarian and Emergency response fund.</p> <p>a. At present how much of that fund has been committed?</p> <p>b. How much has been contracted?</p> <p>c. How much has been spent?</p> <p>d. How much has been committed/contracted/spent on Syria?</p> <p>9. How will the \$20 million for Syria and \$5 million for Iraq be spent?</p> <p>a. How will it be divided between Syria, Iraq and other territories currently housing Syrian and Iraqi refugees?</p> <p>b. Of the money spent inside Syria how will it be divided between regime held and opposition held areas?</p> <p>10. How does DFAT assess the impact of Australian</p>			
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				<p>and allied military action on the humanitarian situation in Syria? This question is in particular reference to besieged areas where the bombing of opposition supply lines, in efforts to prevent the supply of weapons to extremist groups, may also have impacted the delivery of essential humanitarian aid to civilians in besieged areas?</p> <p>11. Has there been discussion between DFAT and Defence on the coordination of military action with ongoing humanitarian activities of Australian and other international aid actors in Syria and Iraq?</p>			
251	DFAT	Wong	Africa	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is it the case that Minister Bishop did not visit Africa in 2015? 2. When was Minister Bishop's last visit to Africa? 3. Does Minister Bishop have an Africa visit planned? If yes, to which countries? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
252	DFAT	Wong	QoN 112	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In reference to the last paragraph of the response to Supplementary Estimates QoN #112: <p><i>In one meeting, the change in Australia's aid to Africa was raised with the head of delegation. More broadly, discussions on ODA were part of the negotiations leading up to the agreement of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What was raised? b. Who raised it? c. What did they say? d. How did DFAT respond? e. Was it Mr McDonald who responded? f. If not, who? g. What did they say? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

253	DFAT	Wong	Pacific climate change	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department please provide an update on the challenge of climate change facing the Pacific? 2. Was climate change and the Pacific a focus of the December 2015 UN Climate Change Conference in Paris? 3. Is the Department aware of the remarks made by Minister Bishop in Question Time on 1 December? 4. Following Peter Dutton's climate change "joke" caught by a boom mic, was the Minister's behaviour in Question Time on 1 December wise? 5. Have members of the Government made apologies to Pacific leaders following these gaffs? 6. How is the Department conveying to the Pacific Australia's position on climate change in the Pacific? 7. How are we demonstrating to our Pacific neighbours that we do not in fact consider the challenge of climate change a laughing matter? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
254	DFAT	Wong	PNG Advisers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In July 2015 Papua New Guinea Prime Minister Peter O'Neill announced a ban on all foreign advisers working for his government to take effect on 1 January 2016. On 6 January it was reported that DFAT confirmed 15 adviser positions in the departments of finance, transport, treasury and justice ended on December 31. DFAT has also noted another 18 Australian public servants remained in their advisory positions and a few new liaison officer roles were being established to 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>maintain relationships between PNG and Australian Government departments.</p> <p>a. What is DFAT doing to secure these positions in PNG?</p> <p>b. What if anything is DFAT doing to reverse this decision by the PNG Government?</p>			
255	DFAT	Wong	Qon 40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can the Department please provide an updated version of the table provided in response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #40? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
256	DFAT	Wong	Indigenous Peoples Strategy	<p>On 10 August 2015 DFAT launched the Australian Indigenous Peoples Strategy, promising to encourage greater Indigenous Australian participation in shaping Australia's aid program, foster an inclusive workplace culture, and advance the interests of indigenous peoples in Australia and around the world.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Since that announcement, how many Indigenous Australians have DFAT hired under this program? One of the Four Pillars of this Program involved DFAT encouraging Indigenous Australians to apply for DFAT-funded opportunities to engage in and develop people-to-people links with the international community. How many Indigenous Australians has DFAT funded to develop people-to-people links with the international community since the program's launch? How has DFAT promoted economic opportunities for Indigenous peoples since the program launch? One of the program's key indicators was to facilitate opportunities for DFAT staff to volunteer 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				on paid time in Indigenous Australian communities. How many DFAT staff have undertaken this form of paid volunteer work?			
257	DFAT	Wong	Zika Virus	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What safeguards has the Government put in place to detect travellers returning to or visiting Australia from Pacific regions known to be affected by the Zika virus? 2. The US President is seeking \$AU2.5 billion to combat the Zika virus through mosquito control programs, vaccine research and ongoing mosquito control programs. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Does the Government have plans to assist the development of similar strategies to help fight the virus in the Pacific? b. Have the Government made contact with the US Government to garner information about possible mitigation and prevention methods for use in the Pacific region? 3. The Government has pledged <u>up to</u> \$500,000 to help combat the Zika virus in Tonga and the Pacific. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. When will the Government decide on a final dollar figure? b. How will the Government decide on a final dollar figure? c. How will the money be spent in the Pacific to fight the virus? 4. The Minister has said "Stopping the spread of Zika in the Pacific is essential to protecting Australia from the virus, which has seen a resurgence in our region." <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Has DFAT done any modelling on the 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>possible spread of Zika into Australia from the Pacific?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. What resources will the Government commit to fighting the virus in other Pacific Island nations that have experienced an increase in Zika virus, including Cook Islands, French Polynesia, Fiji, New Caledonia, Samoa and Vanuatu? 6. American Samoa has experienced 25 suspected cases of the Zika virus which have gone confirmed due to laboratory complications. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Have the Government requested further information from the Government of American Samoa and the US Government regarding the prevalence and control of the Zika virus on the Island? b. Will the Government consider assisting American Samoa gain access to the necessary testing facilities and resources? 7. Will Australia accept lab specimens from Pacific nations to test for Zika virus? 			
258	DFAT	Wong	Ambassador for Women and Girls	<p>Referencing Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #109</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can the Department please provide an updated table of Natasha Stott Despoja's travel and international engagement from October 2015 to present? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
259	DFAT	Wong	United Nations Climate Change Conference 2015	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many Government Ministers attended the conference? 2. How many Ministerial staffers? 3. How many Departmental officials? 4. How many hotel room nights in total? 5. What was the most expensive category of room booked and what was the rate? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

260	DFAT	Wong	AIIB	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On what date did China first invite Australia to be a founding member of the AIIB? 2. How did the invitation arrive? 3. Who did it come to? 4. On what date did Australia first respond to or acknowledge the invitation? 5. On what date did Australia agree formally with China to be a founding member of the bank? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
261	DFAT	Wong	QoN 116	<p>Referring to the response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #116:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide this information (numbers of award recipients and total costs) broken down year by year from 2007 to present? 2. Can the Department provide a breakdown year by year of Australian Award recipients' countries of origin from 2007 to present? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
262	DFAT	Wong	New Colombo Plan	<p><i>Referring to the responses to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #20 and Budget Estimates QoN #58</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. With reference to previous responses to questions on notice (Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #20 and Budget Estimates QoN #58) – can the Department please clarify: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. In 2015, what is the correct number of NCP scholarship applications that were received – 224 or 225? b. In 2014, what is the correct number of Mobility Grants for which applications were received and which were funded? c. Why are the 2014 figures reported in Budget Estimates QoNs and Supplementary Budget Estimates QoNs dramatically different? d. Noting again the discrepancy between the two QoNs, in 2015, how many mobility 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>grant applications were received - 312 or 615?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. What is the split of funding for each year between scholarships and mobility grants? 3. What is the maximum possible value of a scholarship? 4. What is the maximum possible value of a mobility grant? 5. How many individual students are funded through each mobility project? 6. What are the top ten largest grants? 7. Can the department provide a table of every grant issued under the Colombo Plan, including the following information: the type of grant issued, amount issued, number of students funded through the grant if it was a mobility grant, country where student used the grant to study? 8. Will the numbers of students and grants per year keep increasing? 9. What is the target point for the grant/student numbers to level off at? 10. An independent evaluation conducted by ACIL Allen Consulting into the New Colombo Plan was mentioned during estimates in October. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Can the department provide a copy of the report from the evaluation? b. Are further evaluations planned? 11. Have there been any further requests from students seeking consular support since last estimates? 12. Have any complaints been made to the Commonwealth Ombudsman in relation to the New Colombo Plan? 			
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263	DFAT	Wong	QoN 117	<p>Referring to the response to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #117</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide an updated list since August 2015 including the following parameters: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Who participated in each activity? b. What were the outcomes of each activity? c. What were the costs associated with each activity/participant? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
264	DFAT	Wong	QoN 114	<p>In reference to the chart provided in answer to Supplementary Budget Estimates QoN #114:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have there been any changes or updates? • What are the projections over the forwards? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
265	DFAT	Wong	Humanitarian Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Humanitarian, Emergencies and Refugees budget for 2015-16 is \$328.94 million. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Can the Department provide an update on how much of that fund has been committed or contracted for the current financial year? b. How much of it remains unallocated? 2. Can the Department provide a list of all humanitarian crises on which this budget has been used in 2015-16 so far? 3. What is the Humanitarian, Emergencies and Refugees budget across the forward estimates? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
266	DFAT	Wong	Security clearances	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department please provide an update on the ongoing process of providing former AusAID staff with security clearance? 2. How many staff members so far have been cleared? 3. What is the size of the remaining queue? 4. What is the rate at which that queue is clearing and at that rate by what date or month does the 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>Department expect to be finished?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. What is the average cost of the security clearance per staff member? 6. At what point in time did the 2015 graduate intake all have security clearances? 7. At that point in time, how many former AusAID staff were still waiting for their clearances? 8. By what date will the 2016 graduate intake group all have security clearances? 9. At that point in time, how many AusAID staff will still be waiting for clearances? 			
267	DFAT	Wong	JLL	<p>On 3 December it was reported that JLL will manage \$100 million of DFAT property over five years.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has JLL managed any properties for DFAT previously? 2. Can the Department provide a list of the 1000 properties, their sizes and the countries they are located in which will be managed by JLL? 3. Who was previously managing these 1000 properties for DFAT? 4. Will the shift to JLL mean a change in any of the services provided or the nature of those services? Please explain. 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
268	DFAT	Wong	Washington Chancery	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide an update on the status of the Washington Chancery? 2. Can the Department provide an update on expected timelines for all of the renovations? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

269	DFAT	Wong	Other Properties	<p>From Budget Estimates QoNs:</p> <p>Location Approx. timeframe Approx. costs Honiara 30-Jun 15 \$41,742 Noumea 30-Jun 15 \$195,533 Santiago 1-Mar 15 \$42,836 Tel Aviv 30-Jun 16 \$9320 Vienna 30-Jun 15 \$14,617 Washington 30-Jun 15 \$50,000</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are there any updates to these projects? 2. Did each of these projects occur and were they completed on schedule? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o If not, why? 3. Can the Department provide an updated list of other properties due for upgrades/renovations in 2015-16 and 2016-17? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o What are the approximate time frames? o What are the approximate costs of each? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
270	DFAT	Wong	Reports and reviews	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is it correct that DFAT has conducted a “functional review”? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. When did this review begin and conclude? b. Who conducted the review? c. What were the findings of the review? d. What was the cost of conducting the review? e. Can the Department provide a copy of the review? 2. Is it correct that DFAT has conducted a “staffing review”? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. When did this review begin and conclude? b. Who conducted the review? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. What were the findings of the review? d. What was the cost of conducting the review? e. Can the Department provide a copy of the review? <p>3. What other reviews have been conducted by DFAT over the past 36 months?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. What was the purpose of each? b. What were the outcomes of each? c. What was the cost of each? <p>4. Has DFAT considered doing a review or an audit on the merging of DFAT and AusAID?</p>			
271	DFAT	Wong	Banners on Paris Embassy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What financial contribution is DFAT making/has made to the banners on the Paris Embassy? 2. Who designed, produced, transported and hung the banners, and how much did each of these cost? 3. How long will each of the banners hang for? Please provide a forward schedule showing the duration of each. 4. What is the aim of the banners? 5. How is success of the banner campaign being measured? 6. Where will the results of the campaign be published? Will this information be publicly available? 7. What assistance did DFAT provide in the event on 21 April 2015 which resulted in Ms Bishop's tweet of 21 April 2015 of a photograph of a selfie in front of the banner? 8. Who took the photo? Was a professional photographer hired for this event? What was the cost? 9. Did the Embassy host any social events whilst the Minister was in Paris? If so, please specify location, who was invited, who attended and what were the total cost of the event/s? Please also 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>identify any attendees who appear on the Lobbyists Register.</p> <p>10. Did the Minister receive any gifts on her visit to Paris? Please detail item and value.</p> <p>How many staff accompanied Minister Bishop for the event at which the 'selfie' took place? Please detail role and level, accommodation costs, any hospitality and gifts received and value.</p>			
272	DFAT	Wong	Aid Investment Plans	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the budget allocations and programmatic priorities for gender equality and empowering women and girls associated with the aid investment plans for each country program? What proportion of total annual expenditure does this represent in each case? 2. What proportion of this allocation directly supports civil society organisations focused on women's rights in each country? 3. How is expenditure on efforts to integrate gender across mainstream programs (i.e. not those specifically targeting women and girls) being tracked, to bring visibility to the range of ways country programs are progressing gender equality and empower women and girls? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
273	DFAT	Wong	OECD DAC Reporting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What percentage of the budget allocation targets gender equality as a principle objective? Can you please provide details of the specific programs? 2. What percentage of the budget allocation targets gender equality as a significant objective? Can you please provide details of the specific programs? 3. What is the budget allocation to programs coded under the OECD DAC reporting system as supporting 'women's equality organisations and institutions' and details of these programs? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16

274	DFAT	Wong	Clothing	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has DFAT, including any post, ever provided the Minister with assistance buying clothes or fashion accessories? 2. Please detail each instance, location, and the nature of the assistance provided. 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
275	DFAT	Wong	Records of communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to 1:56PM on 8 February 2016 did the Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs hold any documents in relation to the screening of the Minister, The Hon Julie Bishop MP, at Melbourne Airport on 22 September 2015, including, but not limited to, records of communications with the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, The Hon Warren Truss MP, Mr Truss' office, the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Melbourne Airport, including emails and text messages? 	Written Q	03/05/16	04/05/16
276	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: In relation to Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China in 2014, was DFAT advised ahead of the visit?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: No, we were not.</p> <p>Senator WONG: When did DFAT become aware of the visit?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: I would have to take the details on notice, but I think our post in Beijing would have become aware of the visit shortly after it had occurred. That would have been in the context of some advice from Defence that there had been a meeting with the vice-minister which has been referred to in the media. I understand that the Department of Defence indicated in its estimates testimony that it became aware of that meeting after it had occurred. We would have become</p>	Page 7	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>aware in Beijing shortly after that.</p> <p>Senator WONG: As a result of advice from Defence?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: That is my understanding. If that is wrong, I will come back to you.</p>			
277	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Senator WONG: Did an officer of the department, or did that officer establish clearly the sequence of events in terms of DFAT's knowledge of this visit?</p> <p>Mr Varghese: The threshold question is whether we were aware of the visit. The answer to that was no. Therefore the sequence becomes secondary.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I understand that you are going to take on notice more detail, and we would appreciate it if you could provide that today.</p>	Page 8	03/05/16	04/05/16
278	DFAT	Wong	Mr Stuart Robert's visit to China	<p>Mr Varghese: Can I just say this: the focus of this issue has been on Mr Robert's visit to China. I have given you the sum total of our knowledge of Mr Robert's visit to China and whether the department or the embassy had any involvement in it. His onward travel is not the focus of public attention at the moment—</p> <p>Senator WONG: It is entirely relevant.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: It may well be entirely relevant—</p> <p>Senator WONG: It is entirely relevant—</p> <p>CHAIR: Senator Wong, let the secretary finish.</p> <p>Mr Varghese: but it is not the focus of attention at the moment and, therefore, I do not have the details of what our post in Singapore did following Mr Robert's visit to Beijing. I will get that information to you as quickly as possible.</p>	Page 10-11	03/05/16	04/05/16

279	DFAT	McEwen	Special Envoy for Human Rights	<p>Senator McEWEN: I do note, Attorney—from information helpfully provided by the APH website—that the exclusion in section 44 of the Constitution with regard to office of profit under the Crown specifically excludes Queen's Ministers of State for the Commonwealth and members of the Defence Force, but it does not make any mention of special envoys. Nevertheless, you have taken on notice that you will give us advice about that.</p>	Page 40	03/05/16	04/05/16
280	DFAT	Xenophon	Antarctic Territory	<p>Senator XENOPHON: Just in general terms. This is the legislation: the Maritime Legislation Amendment Act 1994 included Antarctic Territory. Antarctica is 14.4 million square kilometres and Australia has made a claim of 40 per cent of that.</p> <p>Dr French: What is certainly the case is that Australia has a clear claim to the Australian Antarctic Territory and, as a natural corollary of that, the pertinent maritime zones are part of the Australian Antarctic Territory, including sovereign rights and jurisdiction over the EEZ of the Antarctic Territory. That said, under article 4 of the Antarctic Treaty there is, if you like, a freezing of claims—</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: Is that a pun?</p> <p>Dr French: No pun intended, Senator—of claims and/or protests of claims with respect to the various states which do have claims of sovereignty with respect to Antarctica. So, certainly it is clear that a number of states, including the United States, do not recognise Australia's claim, but it is dealt with in an orderly and civil manner within the mechanism contained within article 4 of the Antarctic Treaty.</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: Perhaps you could take that on notice for later on today. I would like to put a couple of questions to you and then I will be out of time for now. I am trying to establish which countries recognise our exclusive economic zone. As a South Australian senator,</p>	Page 64	03/05/16	04/05/16

				<p>I would like to make reference to Anxious Bay, Encounter Bay, Lacedpede Bay and Rivoli Bay. Through the Seas and Submerged Lands Act 1973, Australia made a proclamation in 1987 pursuant to that act. Is it the case that a diplomatic protest was made by the United States in 1991 and that the United States does not recognise our assertions of an economic zone? I am happy for you to consider that later on. I will look at my Wikipedia entries in the meantime.</p> <p>Dr French: I do not have the exact details in my head, but I do recall the matter in general terms. It relates to Australia's assertion of rights with respect to those historic bays and the ability for us to draw straight base lines closing those bays in a manner consistent with customary international law and the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. We are satisfied and convinced that those historic claims are entirely consistent with both customary and conventional international law.</p>			
281	DFAT	Gallacher	Qon 13 SBE 2015	<p>Senator GALLACHER: Basically what we have done is looked at the two respective charts. We have highlighted the places where there has been a reduction, and that is Vanuatu, Fiji, Kiribati, Pacific regional, Vietnam, Philippines, Burma, Mongolia, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Palestinian territories. Could we get an update on that—further and better detail about what exactly is going on there whether there were changes of contracts, someone was sacked, not doing something, or it is just a timing issue?</p> <p>Mr Wood: Correct, yes.</p> <p>Senator GALLACHER: That is in the 2015-16 space. If we could get on notice further and better details about that that would be helpful.</p> <p>Mr Wood: That is fine.</p>	Page 71	03/05/16	04/05/16

282	DFAT	Ludlam	West Bank visit	<p>Senator LUDLAM: Dr Saidam said Minister Pyne came to the meeting with a list of complaints. Is the department able to clarify what those complaints were?</p> <p>Mr Innes-Brown: No. I am unaware of that particular claim.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Could you take on notice for us to undertake to establish what Minister Pyne's complaints were of that Palestinian minister?</p>	Page 85	03/05/16	04/05/16
283	DFAT	Wong	TPP	<p>Senator WONG: Thank you. Before I go to labour movement, I have two issues. You said, Ms Ward, that you did not keep a schedule—I probably asked the wrong questions, which is always a risky thing to do to a DFAT officer—of changes to the initially released text. You do not keep a schedule of changes which were made in terms of the legal scrub. My recollection is that, where there are these sorts of legal international arrangements, you would have the capacity to compare the two documents.</p> <p>Ms Ward: Certainly.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Thank you. See—I did not ask the right question. That is what I want. I want a document that shows me the differences between the 5 November text and 4 February—which I assume you can produce. I do not mind if you give it to me on disk. Are you able to do that on notice?</p> <p>Ms Ward: On notice, please. Thank you.</p>	Page 106	15/04/16	04/05/16
284	DFAT	Wong	G'day USA	<p>Senator WONG: What is the cost of G'Day USA?</p> <p>Mr Gosper: I do not have that information.</p> <p>Senator WONG: We should not have let the department go. In future, we will have them stay and they can all stay together. Is anybody from DFAT here able to tell me what the cost of G'Day USA is? Try to be helpful—</p> <p>Ms Lisson: We will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I said I would be asking questions about the business weeks. Seriously. No-one can tell me what the cost of G'Day USA is? In future, Chair, I ask</p>	Page 122	15/04/16	04/05/16

				<p>that Austrade and DFAT stay together and they just stay till it is all finished like we do in economics with ATO. You cannot tell me?</p> <p>Ms Lisson: No. We can take that on notice.</p>			
285	DFAT	Wong	G'day USA	<p>CHAIR: What, if any, is the level of private sector involvement, from Australia's point of view, in G'DAY USA?</p> <p>Mr Brown: By 'private sector involvement', do you mean: do they fund certain elements of the program—</p> <p>CHAIR: Yes. Do they fund? Do they turn up? Who comes?</p> <p>Mr Brown: They certainly turn up. I would have to take on notice the extent to which private sector participants contribute funding to the event. It depends very much on the event. For small seminars, for example, there may be instances where the private sectors are co-sponsoring or co-funding those arrangements.</p> <p>CHAIR: So they are paying their own costs. Those who participate pay their own costs and all the on-costs?</p> <p>Mr Brown: Of course they pay their own costs, but in terms of specific events I would need to check the funding arrangements</p>	Page 123	15/04/16	04/05/16
286	DFAT	Gallacher	USA Export figures	<p>Senator GALLACHER: On your website the 2014-15 figures for exports to the United States are \$13.3 billion and imports are \$30.397 billion. I have not gone back over the years, but how successful have all of these promotions and galas been in actually improving our export figures? Our dollar is in the right zone and they will buy certain products. What do all these galas actually deliver for Australia's net trading benefit? Could you give me some advice as to the improvement since you have been running these events.</p> <p>Mr Brown: I would be happy to take that on notice and</p>	Page 123	15/04/16	04/05/16

				provide you with some data on export trends for the US since the entry into force of the US FTA.			
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