

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
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Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:

1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information:
 - 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; and
 - f) The location that this training was provided.
2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1), please provide:
 - 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 (provide a breakdown for each 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; and
 - f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package).
3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
 - a) The location used;
 - b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion;
 - c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); and
 - d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location.

Answer:

For the period 14 September 2015 to 9 February 2016:

Department/ Agency	Response
Finance	1. – 3. Nil.
Australian Electoral Commission	<p>1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) \$13 000 (GST excl).b) AEC executive media training – \$13 000 (GST excl).c) Five:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• three SES Band 1.• two Executive Level 2.d) Five:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• three SES Band 1.• two Executive Level 2.e) Horizon Communications Group.f) AEC national office – 50 Marcus Clarke St, Canberra. <p>2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) AEC executive media training.b) Group based.c) Five:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• three SES Band 1.• two Executive Level 2d) Five hours for each employee.e) \$13 000 (GST excl).f)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training development / implementation - \$5 000 (GST excl).• Travel expenses - \$1500 (GST excl).• Equipment hire - \$2500 (GST excl).• Hire of professional journalist - \$4000 (GST excl). <p>3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) – d). N/A.
Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation	1. – 3. Nil.
Future Fund Management Agency	<p>1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) \$8,000.b) \$8,000 – Media training.c) 1.d) 1 FFMA Level 5.e) Nightingale Communications Pty Ltd.f) Future Fund office.

Department/ Agency	Response
	<p>2. Nightingale Communications Pty Ltd:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Media Training. b) One-on-one. c) 1 FFMA level 5. d) 4 hours for media training. e) \$8,000. f) Package for preparation and delivery. <p>3. a) - d). Nil.</p>