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1	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Wong	ASC - Key performance Indicators of the Collins fleet	Senator WONG: Can you just remind us other than availability days, what are the KPIs in relation to the Collins you are expected to meet? ... Senator WONG: Can you on notice perhaps provide the updated KPIs that you have just gone through. Mr Whiley: Yes.	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 4, 9 February 2016
2	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Xenophon	ASC - Western Australia's involvement in the OPV process	Senator XENOPHON: But have you had discussions with any of your colleagues about the likelihood of WA being part of the OPV process—bidding for the OPVs? Senator Cormann: I have to take on notice the specifics. What I can say is that I have had representations from members and senators in Western Australia about the opportunity for shipbuilding businesses in Western Australia to participate in the program of work that is coming over the horizon. To what extent that was specific to the extent that you have asked me in your question I cannot specifically recollect. I will have to take that on notice.	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 14, 9 February 2016
3	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Wong	ASC - Ships' stages of completion	Senator WONG: Sorry—you do not have the third ship increased efficiency as compared to ship 1? I know you do this as a cumulative— Mr Lamarre: Compared to ship 1? The only view I have against ship 1 right now is that because it is so early on in the construction phase for ship 3—we are at the block phase— Senator WONG: Yes. Mr Lamarre: For ASC block construction, we are 53 per cent cheaper than ship 1 in block construction. Senator Cormann: We might take it on notice to see what else we can provide.	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 19, 9 February 2016
4	Department of Finance	2/2.7	McAllister	Monetary effect of the Medicare safety net arrangements and the PBS increase in co-payments	Senator McALLISTER: What is the monetary effect of the two measures relating to the Medicare safety net arrangements and the PBS increase in co-payments? What is the impact of those two measures on the MRFF, given that those two measures are yet to pass the parliament? Senator Cormann: We might have to take that on notice, but as Dr Helgeby previously indicated, we are confident that we are on track to reach the target capital of about \$20 billion in the same time frame, despite the parliament not having passed the measures that you mention. But in terms of giving you a specific detailed breakdown, we might provide that to you on notice. ... Senator McALLISTER: ... So I think what we are looking for then on notice is what the financial impact would be should those measures fail to pass through the parliament. Senator Cormann: Sure, we can do that.	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 28, 9 February 2016
5	Future Fund	General	Whish-Wilson	International infrastructure exposure	Senator WHISH-WILSON: Could you give us an idea of what kind of exposure you have to infrastructure? Mr Neal: Our infrastructure portfolio was 7.1 per cent at the end of December. Senator WHISH-WILSON: Would that be international? Mr Neal: It is diversified. We have some significant Australian exposures. I am going to guess—if you want a precise answer I can get that on notice— Senator WHISH-WILSON: If you would take it on notice, and whether they are all listed infrastructure, or whether you have any direct investments in infrastructure, like some of the industry super funds do? Mr Neal: We do. The majority of that would be in unlisted. We have a significant stake in Melbourne airport, for example. We	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 29, 9 February 2016

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					have a significant stake in Perth airport. We have some wind farms in Western Australia. So we have a number of unlisted holdings in Australia, and a number globally, too. We also do hold some listed infrastructure.	
6	Future Fund	General	Whish-Wilson	Future Fund's managers - Signatories to the UN Principles for Responsible Investment	<p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: Are you, at a board level, or do you know if any of your individual managers are, signatories to the UN Principles for Responsible Investment? I think there are 1,400 funds globally that have signed up to that.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: Would it be possible to get that on notice—if it is not too much work?</p> <p>Mr Neal: We can do that.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: You could try.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We will explore on notice what we can do to sensibly assist.</p> <p>Senator WHISH-WILSON: You may have to contact them or you may already know.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We will take it on notice and see how we can help.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 31, 9 February 2016
7	Future Fund	General	Seselja	Defining emerging markets	<p>Senator SESELJA: Just for my benefit, because I was not part of some of these discussions at earlier estimates, how broadly are emerging markets defined? How does one define what is an emerging market and what is not?</p> <p>Mr Neal: There is a number of ways that you can do that. Typically, I believe, it is a GDP per capita threshold where people draw the line. I believe that the definition we use is the one that the MSCI uses for their indices. They use a certain criteria—and, as I said, I think the predominant one is a GDP per capita measure—but, if you want a detailed answer of how exactly that is done, I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: If you could take that on notice I would be interested. Can you also take on notice what that GDP per capita figure is, and also how many countries are classified under that definition as emerging markets.</p> <p>Mr Neal: Certainly.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 33, 9 February 2016
8	Department of Finance	2/2.7	McAllister	Publishing the DisabilityCare Australia Fund statements	<p>Senator McALLISTER: I just wanted to ask the officers from Finance about the DisabilityCare Australia Fund estimates.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Who made the decision not to publish them?</p> <p>Mr Robertson: It was just not to prejudice the negotiations underway, so we put them into documents here.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Let me just say that I will take on notice the specific question, but on behalf of the government obviously I take responsibility for the way these numbers are published or not published.</p> <p>...</p> <p>I will see what we can do to assist you on notice. Ultimately, of course, as the minister I am responsible.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator Cormann: ... We will spell out for you the process followed to reach the decision, but I think the reason for the decision has been spelt out for you clearly.</p> <p>...</p> <p>What I have already undertaken, because to the best of my knowledge I cannot recollect right now precisely what form of the advice may or may not have come to me in that context, is to provide on notice information about the steps that led to that</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 33-34, 9 February 2016

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					<p>decision.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Would it be possible for you in providing that answer, to consider the involvement of the line agency in this decision, given that your previous answer suggests—</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Sure. We will.</p>	
9	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Rhiannon	Usage of term 'subscription to a political party'	<p>Senator RHIANNON: We have just had 1 February, our big day of the year, when we learn about donations over the previous financial year. I notice that there was a new term used: 'subscription to a political party'. Has that term been used before?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Mr Pirani: I am not aware of that. I would have to go back and look through all the returns.</p> <p>Mr Rogers: We will take that on notice because we do not know the answer to that today.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Could you take it on answer and give a full answer. Did you give Labor advice that they could use that term? Once you received their disclosure and you saw the term, did you then question Labor about what it means?</p> <p>Mr Rogers: I am not sure; we will have to take that on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 35, 9 February 2016
10	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Rhiannon	Meaning of the word 'subscriptions' in terms of political donations	<p>Senator RHIANNON: I understand that. I have 11 donations here and over half a million dollars in subscriptions, and the word 'subscriptions' was, for example, used with: '\$66,000 from ClubsNSW' or '\$110,000 from Woodside Energy'. I think we have a broad idea what the word 'subscriptions' means. Do you question what it means in terms of a political donation disclosure?</p> <p>Mr Rogers: I think there are two questions there. If you are asking, 'Did we?' I shall take that on notice because I am unsure about whether we have done that or not ...</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Did you ask the companies if they viewed it as a subscription?</p> <p>Mr Rogers: I will take that on notice, but I will almost guarantee that we did not check with the companies...</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: I appreciate that you have to take it on notice, but from the answer that you have given it appears that you think they have used the term 'subscriptions' because it is not a gift. Does that mean when another party fills out its—</p> <p>Mr Rogers: ... I would prefer to take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: So that and the terminology—both of the questions that we put on notice, about the issue of terminology and also how you handle these disclosures when they arrive. We have political parties now describing it in ways that we were not aware could be done.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 35-36, 9 February 2016
11	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Rice	Removal from the electoral roll due to being of 'unsound mind'	<p>Senator RICE: I want to talk about the issue of people being removed from the electoral roll because they are of unsound mind.</p> <p>Mr Rogers: I will call Mr Gateley, who is my roll expert and is very well versed in this particular area.</p> <p>Senator RICE: You might need to put this on notice, but can you tell us how many people have been removed from electoral rolls for reasons of unsound mind since the federal election in 2013?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator RICE: Okay. Is there any disaggregated data for those removed from the roll for reasons of unsound mind—age, location, gender et cetera?</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 38-39, 9 February 2016

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					<p>Mr Gately: I have disaggregated data here down to the state level. I do not have that split at the moment. It is certainly feasible to do.</p> <p>Senator RICE: Could you take that on notice or table that data?</p> <p>Mr Gately: Certainly.</p>	
12	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Rice	Definition of 'unsound mind'	<p>Senator RICE: Can the commission define exactly what is meant by 'being of unsound mind'? For what medical reasons were those of unsound mind removed from the rolls?</p> <p>Mr Gately: The element of the act talks about an elector being unable to understand the significance of enrolling and voting by reason of being of unsound mind. In practice we require a medical certificate from a medical practitioner to make that assertion and support that action. AEC staff do not interpret the concept of unsound mind from an elector perspective.</p> <p>Senator RICE: So there is no data as to what that means? I understand the form; I have the form in front of me. It basically requires the signature of a medical practitioner—tick the box.</p> <p>Mr Rogers: Normally—and Mr Gately might correct me—this might occur through an application from a family member who will contact the AEC about a relative. But for us to take action that would mean that that assertion would need to be accompanied by a medical certificate signed by a practitioner. I think once we get that certificate that is as far as the AEC would go.</p> <p>Senator RICE: So there is no data? I have the certificate here. It is just a declaration from the practitioner to say that the person is of unsound mind.</p> <p>Mr Rogers: I would doubt it sincerely, but I will check that.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 39, 9 February 2016
13	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Wong	Funding provided to Mr James McGrath by Foundation 51	<p>Senator WONG: ... As a result of receiving this letter—which I think was the December 2014 letter—can you confirm that you made no inquiries of the now Senator McGrath as to whether he received funding from Foundation 51?</p> <p>Mr Rogers: No, I cannot confirm that at the moment, but I am happy to take that on notice. But, to be helpful, it would not surprise me if we had not asked that question. But I will take that on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 44, 9 February 2016
14	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Xenophon	Changes to the Senate voting system	<p>Senator XENOPHON: If we go back in time to 1983-84 ... You can take this on notice: what corporate recollection of the AEC is there of the time it took to explain the amount of work done to publicise those changes to the system? That is not a hypothetical, Chair. It is going back to the future.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Mr Rogers: ... I will take that on notice and we will find out as much information as we can.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 48, 9 February 2016
15	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Xenophon	ASC - Location of former ASC subcontractors	<p>Senator XENOPHON: Minister, I know that you are a seeker of truth. Would you have any difficulty in the government supporting a small project to establish where those subcontractors have gone to? I will even chip in. I will even put my hand in my pocket to chip in for an independent analysis.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: I will take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: You will get back to me about whether there is going to be a workforce analysis as to where those</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 54, 9 February 2016

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					people go off to? It would not be too difficult. With the cooperation of the ASC, we could work out where some of those subcontractors have gone to. Senator Cormann: I have taken it on notice.	
16	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Xenophon	ASC - Modelling of employee numbers	Senator XENOPHON: Yes, the sort of things that the RAND Corporation report quite rightly pointed out. Having OPVs will arrest that march into the valley of the death of job losses. Correct? Mr Lamarre: Again, if the OPVs start up in mid to early 2018, based on my modelling, we would get down to a reasonably good core capability that we can grow from, absolutely. Senator XENOPHON: And that modelling, is that something we have? ... Senator XENOPHON: Are you able to provide that to the committee or do we have to go via the minister on that? Can we see the modelling, Minister? Senator Cormann: Let's take it on notice. I obviously have to review whether there is any public interest consideration there. Senator XENOPHON: But there is not any commercial-in-confidence material in that modelling, is there? Mr Lamarre: Again, we will take it on notice. Senator XENOPHON: You cannot tell me if there is any commercial in confidence— Mr Lamarre: I can say that workforce planning information is company confidential.	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 55, 9 February 2016
17	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Ludwig	ASC - remuneration structure	Senator LUDWIG: I go to your annual report. On page 21 it sets out the executive remuneration. There are six or seven lines there, which is practically the least I have ever seen in any annual report. What is the remuneration for the three employees at the bottom right-hand side of page 21? I also want to understand the bonus. There is a human resources and remuneration committee above that which then sets performance measures, accountability frameworks and remuneration components. How is the remuneration structured? You can take on notice the below \$300,000 for 2016? Mr Lamarre: It is not ASC's policy to make public the remuneration packages for individual executives. What we do make public is what you have found in the annual report. Senator LUDWIG: Why is that? Airservices make their available. You will have to tell me a bit more as to why you cannot. Mr Whiley: Can we take that on notice and come back to you? Senator LUDWIG: ... You cannot just simply say: 'I don't want to answer that question. We're going to give you limited information.' You are the shareholder minister, this is a government owned business. This information should be in the public domain. Senator Cormann: Why don't I take your question on notice. Senator LUDWIG: I will flesh it out then. I did want to understand how the package was put together, what the structure is and whether it is consistent with the No. 126.guidelines. Senator Cormann: I understand the question. Senator LUDWIG: If you look at how the Airservices respond, they provide the base salary and the at-risk component—that type of information which would be helpful to understand. Senator Cormann: I understand your question and we will take that on notice.	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 58, 9 February 2016

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18	Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation	General	McAllister	Roll-over of PSS funds – media article	<p>Senator McALLISTER: I am interested to talk a little bit about an article that appeared in <i>The Canberra Times</i> at the end of last month that relates to former public servants being denied investment earnings on trapped super.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Mr Carrigy-Ryan: ... I am happy, if you give me a copy of the article, to have a look at the detail in it. I do not recall the article, but I can have a look at the detail on it and get back to you, if you wish.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: It is simply the article about the public servant denied access to super seeking to roll it over, and they undertook to come back to us.</p> <p>Mr Carrigy-Ryan: Yes, we will take that on notice and provide you with a response.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 59 and 62, 9 February 2016
19	Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation	General	Ludwig	Remuneration of CSC's employees	<p>Senator LUDWIG: Minister, if you go to page 35 of the annual report for the Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation, effectively it is a reflection of the same questions I asked earlier. It talks about the CSC remunerating people in accordance with its board-approved remuneration policy. Is that available to the committee? It then goes on to say that 'individually market-based adjustments are determined by reference to the market survey compiled by FIRG'—</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator Cormann: I have seen the extract. If the question is the same, I might be able to assist you by taking the same approach and taking it on notice to see whether we can help you with the same information that we might be able to provide you with.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: It is only the executive employees—their salary bonuses and how it is structured—together with that policy, which is the board-approved policy. Secondly, if this market survey compiled by FIRG is available? Of course, the additional information is whether or not they set their policy for remuneration in accordance with that earlier document I read out, which was No. 126. I want to be able to effectively see how that policy is reflected in government owned corporations. And the same for ComSuper, although ComSuper is in a slightly different position as I understand it, but then I cannot see anything about their remuneration structure, so I presume they are public servants.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: I have to take that on notice and see how we can assist you.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 60, 9 February 2016
20	Department of Finance	2/2.2	McAllister	Belcher Review – implementation of recommendations	<p>Senator McALLISTER: Are there any other entities that might be responsible for implementation of the recommendations?</p> <p>Mr Clively: There are a number. The ANAO, for example, is the direct audience for one particular recommendation, and the Department of Defence—there are quite a number. In fact, all agencies are affected in terms of—</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: For the interest of the committee, I think it would be helpful to understand which agencies have a role to play in impacting on the regulatory environment of other agencies that are separate to those four main ones that you identified. You mentioned ANAO and Defence. Perhaps you could take on notice to provide a short list of any others. I assume that is possible?</p> <p>Ms Halton: I think we can give you information that is in report. We can derive that. It is a public document.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 65, 9 February 2016

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21	Department of Finance	2/2.2	McAllister	Belcher Review – Cabinet-level consideration of recommendations	<p>Senator McALLISTER: Minister, can I ask whether there is a cabinet-level process considering the recommendations, particularly those that require either a ministerial role or some kind of parliamentary change to enable their implementation?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: ... But at this point I cannot assist you with a timetable in relation to that. I might consider, on notice, whether there is anything else that I can add to that.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: It is simply that we have been through this process. We have a big report. It has a range of things. I understand the logic of not wishing to create additional regulation by monitoring the implementation of it, but some level of coordination, or someone driving it, would seem to be important. If that is not happening—</p> <p>Senator Cormann: ... As I have indicated, if there is anything else I can add, then I will.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 65-66, 9 February 2016
22	Department of Finance	2/2.2	McAllister	Belcher Review – economic assessment of efficiencies	<p>Senator McALLISTER: You may not be able to answer on behalf of Mr Hendy, but are you aware of any work in government to estimate efficiencies or savings that could be achieved if all of the recommendations are implemented?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator Cormann: In relation to the specific body of work that you are referencing, obviously there are still processes that are underway. I will just see whether Dr Helgeby has got something he wants to add.</p> <p>Dr Helgeby: There are 134 recommendations ...</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: There are no plans at the moment, though, to provide an economic assessment?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: ... There are a whole range of subsets for these that all feed into an overall effort. Why don't I see whether we can assist you any further on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 66, 9 February 2016
23	Department of Finance	2/2.2	McAllister	Finance's responsibility for ICT functions	<p>Senator McALLISTER: ... in reviewing the org chart, I noticed that there are quite a number of branches that seem to deal with ICT functions in different business units within Finance. Could you just describe or even take on notice to provide a list of each business unit which is involved in ICT and a description of the precise tasks that they undertake, how many staff are in each unit and a breakdown of the classification of each staff member?</p> <p>Ms Halton: Certainly. We will take that on notice. But let us be clear. We have a whole-of-government responsibility in respect of procurement more broadly, and part of what we do is also in respect of ICT procurement ...</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: It would be helpful to understand, in the broad, how you interact with the Digital Transformation Office, which I understand has recently moved from the department of communications into Prime Minister and Cabinet.</p> <p>Ms Halton: That is right.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Also, any residual functions with the department of communications relating to ICT where you are interacting with them around the government's overall strategy. I am trying to get a handle—</p> <p>Ms Halton: Yes. I get it.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: on how the overall strategy is working and who is involved and what your role is in that, in particular.</p> <p>Ms Halton: ... But we will give you that on notice—very happy to.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 84, 9 February 2016
24	Department of Finance	2/2.2	Bernardi	List of efficiencies achieved through abolition of agencies	<p>CHAIR: In actual fact we have seen that with the provision of IT for parliamentarians. It seems to be much more sensible now than it was some years ago. Finance has abolished some bodies that were part of the structure. I remember we asked about the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation on a number of occasions. Has that gone now?</p> <p>Ms Halton: Yes.</p> <p>CHAIR: There was the Australian River Company and ComSuper—</p> <p>Ms Halton: We talked about that earlier today.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 86-87, 9 February 2016

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					<p>CHAIR: They are all out of your portfolio. Has that made any efficiencies or simplified your operations? Senator Cormann: We have saved about \$1.4 billion across government. Through the efforts so far and, obviously, the work is continuing. CHAIR: Has that needed any rationalisation of staffing operations? Senator Cormann: That is partly how you achieve those savings. We can provide you with a list of all of the efficiencies that we have achieved ...</p>	
25	Department of Finance	2/2.2	Ludwig	Telepresence – use of the system	<p>Senator LUDWIG: So we have got that metric. Is that showing an increase or a flat line? In other words, how do you express it—is it by month, by year? Mr Sheridan: We have the information by day, essentially, because it is recorded by the booking system that books the meetings and holds records of the calls. It shows a continuing increase in the use of the system. Senator LUDWIG: That is what I am trying to identify, so if you have a metric or a graph that shows that, that will be helpful. Could you take that on notice? Mr Sheridan: We could take that on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 89, 9 February 2016
26	Department of Finance	2/2.2	Ludwig	Telepresence – expansion of networks	<p>Senator LUDWIG: Are there any plans to expand the number of TelePresence networks, either at phase 1 or phase 2? Mr Sheridan: We do not have any plans to add additional networks. The infrastructure we have in place is large enough to sustain more units. Generally speaking, the demand is for personal units rather than additional rooms. We can supply those on the basis of either entitlement or, if agencies wish to purchase them, we can add them to the system for them. Senator LUDWIG: Have you added any sites in the last three months? Mr Sheridan: I would have to take that on notice. Senator LUDWIG: I am happy for you to take that on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 89, 9 February 2016
27	Department of Finance	2/2.3	O'Neill	Australian Tax Office building in Gosford – decision makers	<p>Senator O'NEILL: Who is the appropriate decision maker or makers in this case? Mr Edge: The lease would need to be endorsed, and I would need to just check who the decision maker would be in this instance. Senator O'NEILL: Could you provide me with documentation that shows the process that was followed. Senator Cormann: We will take that on notice. Senator O'NEILL: With who said what to whom and when, and who finally signed off on that. Do you know who the final signatory on it was? Mr Edge: I would have to take that on notice. I am not aware of that. Senator Cormann: We will give you that answer on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 92, 9 February 2016
28	Department of Finance	2/2.3	O'Neill	Australian Tax Office building in Gosford – lease approval considerations	<p>Senator O'NEILL: You mentioned a number of considerations regarding approval for the ATO lease. That would be standard. What were the main considerations in regard to the approval of this particular lease? Mr Edge: I would have to take that on notice. I am not aware of the detail of the approval of the lease. ... Senator O'NEILL: Did you approve the ATO's proposal to lease or purchase the property? Senator Cormann: You asked that before and we have taken that on notice. We will provide an appropriate response in the appropriate time. ...</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 92 & 95, 9 February 2016

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					<p>Senator O'NEILL: I am a little uncertain at this point, because of your answering, about your role in the specific approval of the proposal to lease the property at 20 Mann Street Gosford from the successful Doma Group. What was your role?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: You asked that same question two questions ago, and I took it on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator O'NEILL: We will see. Did the Secretary of Finance approve any aspect of the ATO's proposal?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We have already taken on notice the involvement of Finance and who the decision maker was in relation to these matters from the Finance point of view. That is just another variation of the same question that we have already taken on notice.</p> <p>Senator O'NEILL: When you provide me with the answer will there be a clear indication of whether it was the Secretary of Finance who signed off, you who signed off yourself, Minister, or another representative of the government?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We have taken on notice who within Finance had what role in relation to this particular procurement, and I am very happy to assist further by specifying when any relevant decisions were made.</p>	
29	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Ludlam	The Lodge – request for upgrade works	<p>Senator LUDLAM: For the work that was done in 2014-15, the additional amount which took it to \$11.7 million as the estimated cost, what did that entail? What was the reason for that increase?</p> <p>Ms Hall: ... That additional scope included demolition and construction of two new guardhouses, refurbishment of the gardeners including asbestos removal, construction of a new external amenities block, refurbishment of all the ground floor and first floor internal bathrooms and refurbishment of the female principal dressing room.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Where did the request for that work come from?</p> <p>Ms Hall: I would have to take that on notice ...</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 99, 9 February 2016
30	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Ludwig	The Lodge – contract variations	<p>Senator LUDWIG: I will just come back a little bit. From the 2014-15 work onwards, were there any contract variations to that? I am happy for you to take those on notice if you are not sure.</p> <p>Ms Hall: There were a number.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Do you know how many? Do you have it there with you?</p> <p>Ms Hall: I do not have that level of detail with me.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: That increased the cost?</p> <p>Ms Hall: Once the budget was approved, we would have varied the relevant contracts with the providers to include the additional scopes. There were a number of contracts—head contractor, design contractors. They were all on AusTender. We would have processed the variations. So I can get you the detail on notice.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: That would be helpful. Thank you. You cannot recall how many contract variations there were during 2014 alone? Perhaps on notice you can take it by year or month as the case may be.</p> <p>Ms Hall: Yes. In terms of breaking it down by period, we can certainly take that on notice. I can advise you that, in relation to the head contract for Manteena, there were 42 variations in total over the life of the contract.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: And you cannot recall how many in the last—</p> <p>Ms Hall: No. I do not have that detail.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Then I am happy for you to take it on notice...</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 100, 9 February 2016

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31	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Ludwig	The Lodge – review of the project	<p>Senator LUDWIG: So the essence of that conversation was that Mr Turnbull has requested a review, or did the deputy secretary request the review?</p> <p>Mr Edge: I cannot quite recall exactly whether there was a specific reference to the Prime Minister or whether it was the Prime Minister's office. I cannot quite recall exactly what was said.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Did you take a note? I am happy for you to take it on notice and refresh yourself.</p> <p>Mr Edge: Yes, I can take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: If you took a note then you can clarify the record if need be.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 101, 9 February 2016
32	Department of Finance	2/2.3	McAllister	The Lodge – project manager contract	<p>Senator McALLISTER: In this instance was that person an external contractor?</p> <p>Ms Hall: It was a firm, GHD— Gutteridge, Haskins and Davey. Then we have a couple of staff internal to the department who are contract managers, essentially. They manage those contracts for the delivery of the works.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Was the nature of the contract with GHD that any of their fee was at risk or associated with performance?</p> <p>Ms Hall: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 101, 9 February 2016
33	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Ludlam	Commonwealth land disposal register – list of properties	<p>Senator LUDLAM: Thank you, Chair. I have a couple of questions—not too many—to follow up on the Commonwealth surplus property program, so specifically the Commonwealth land disposal register and the Commonwealth surplus property divestment program. Do you have a comprehensive list for the properties that have been listed and then sold under these two programs since they have been in operation?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: The Commonwealth land disposal register and more recently introduced, I think in the 2014-15 budget, the Commonwealth surplus property divestment program.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Yes, we can provide that to you, probably on notice, if you do not mind.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Yes, if it is a reasonable amount of material.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Maybe without having tabled it, if you can tell us: does it include information including things like type of property, size, location, sale price, purchaser, condition of sale—things like that?</p> <p>Ms Hall: Yes, for properties we have divested. For properties that are currently in the market for sale, we would not necessarily disclose evaluations. But we can provide most of that.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: It is more than 600 properties. I will know a little bit more about it when the list has been tabled ... There are significant supply problems as well. You are sitting on substantial supply—hundreds if not thousands of hectares of land—that you could kick out the door with affordability conditions attached as a condition of sale. Is that something that has occurred to anybody inside the government?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: ... I suggest that you wait until we provide that information to you on notice before you jump to conclusions on what may or may not be possible ...</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 103-105, 9 February 2016

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34	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Ludlam	Commonwealth property disposals policy – last review	<p>Ms Hall: That is Commonwealth property disposals policy. It applies to real property.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: To?</p> <p>Ms Hall: Real property, so land.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: When was that policy last reviewed?</p> <p>Ms Hall: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 104, 9 February 2016
35	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Ludlam	Housing affordability conditions	<p>Senator LUDLAM: I am not arguing that all of them should have housing affordability conditions attached. Question on notice No. F54 said, 'The 2013 Commonwealth land audit identified 470 properties that may be divested with 351 potentially suitable for residential use.' Let us just stick to the 351. Why has the Commonwealth government not attached any housing affordability conditions to the disposal of any of those properties? If I am wrong and you have been doing that I would be delighted to have that error pointed out.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Okay. Does that mean your advisers are checking the register to see if there are any affordability outcomes? This is really the only question I have got. You offered to take the material on notice.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: If that is the only question you have got, let us take on notice what it is that we are doing in that context and we will get back to you on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 105-106, 9 February 2016
36	Department of Finance	2/2.3	McAllister	Operation Tetris – breakdown of actions	<p>Senator McALLISTER: Thank you, Minister. On notice, would you be able to provide a breakdown of the individual actions that have built up to that \$200 million?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Yes, we can.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Thank you, Minister. I think, Mr Edge, you mentioned you would be willing to provide the methodology and assumptions that sit behind that.</p> <p>Mr Edge: Yes, sure.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 106-107, 9 February 2016
37	Department of Finance	2/2.3	McAllister	Operation Tetris – further available space	<p>Senator McALLISTER: I am, as I indicated, pursuing a reasonably technical line of questioning, so that would be quite helpful. The minister's press release mentions that there are 'a further 18,000 square metres of office space' available—</p> <p>Senator Cormann: That will become available in 2016.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Very good. I am just wondering if it is possible, again on notice, to provide me with information on where this office space is, listing each property and the square meterage available at that place.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: So you want a more detailed breakdown in respect of the 18,000 square metres?</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Yes.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We can help with that.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: And, if you are able to provide a list of government leases that are set to expire or have already expired that provide the opportunity to take up this spare 18,000 square metres—</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Sure.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: and the entities that they relate to, that information would be useful also.</p> <p>Ms Halton: We will give you what we can, Senator, on notice.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: That would be terrific, Ms Halton. Since you are being so helpful, noting that this initiative is to be</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 107, 9 February 2016

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					<p>rolled out nationally, are you able to provide some data about the vacant office space for Commonwealth properties currently existing outside of Canberra or the ACT and, similarly, a list of those properties which includes their location as well as the available square meterage?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: The short answer is yes ...</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Okay. Similar to the question about the ACT, is it possible to have that information on a national basis? Where are the relevant leases where you might look to achieve efficiencies by utilising other space?</p> <p>Mr Edge: Yes, sure.</p>	
38	Department of Finance	2/2.1	McAllister	Additional NBN funding as shown in MYEFO	<p>Senator McALLISTER: We might have some questions, I think, about program 2.1 and some of the government business enterprises. Can I start with MYEFO and the information that appears there about the NBN and allocations to the NBN company. In the budget papers there was an NBN investment in 2015-16 and 2016-17 that totalled \$16.165 billion in the original budget. In the MYEFO that figure has increased over that same period and is up \$148 million. I was hoping you could provide an explanation for the additional equity being provided to the NBN there.</p> <p>Mr Edge: Senator, we would have to take on notice the exact reasons for that \$148 million variation. Although that sounds like a lot it is a relatively immaterial variation in terms of the equity profiles for the NBN. But we can certainly take on notice the reasons why it is varied in the MYEFO numbers.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator Cormann: But the thing is: in the context of a \$29.5 billion overall equity injection, I suspect it will be a timing issue. But why don't we take it on notice. As Mr Edge says, when taken out of context it sounds like a high number but in the context of a \$29.5 billion equity injection it is obviously a comparatively low number.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 108, 9 February 2016
39	Department of Finance	2/2.2	McAllister	Defence Housing Australia Scoping Study - funding	<p>Mr Edge: The \$4 million number is right. That was the number that was provided.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Four million, is it?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Four million was the number provided in the budget. We will take on notice how much has actually been allocated.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: I think that would be great. Just so I understand, is it predominantly associated with this review that has been undertaken by KordaMentha, or are there other items associated with the review that would require—</p> <p>Senator Cormann: I will take on notice the specific contract value of the work that is undertaken by KordaMentha, but overall the allocation to Finance, through the 2015-16 budget process, to conduct this work is \$4 million—that was reflected on page 91 of Budget Paper No. 2—and \$3.5 million of that is in 2015-16. I think that is what you are referring to there, and there is another half a million in 2016-17, which of course has not yet started. That brings us to the \$4 million all up.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Great. Okay. I am just interested—and I think you have agreed to do this—in understanding what has been spent of that so far—what components of the expenditure for that review.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Yes.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 109, 9 February 2016
40	Department of Finance	2/2.5	McAllister, Ludwig	Current Government advertising campaigns	<p>Senator McALLISTER: We will see how we go. We will see if we can revive the tradition. Is it possible to provide a list of current government advertising campaigns with expenditure of over \$250,000?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: I am sure we can assist with that. Let's provide it on notice.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: Are there that many of them? We must know. There cannot be that many, can there?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We will make sure that we provide you with accurate information, and we will give you the full list on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Pages 112 & 114 - 115, 9 February 2016

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					<p>Senator McALLISTER: Okay. In doing so, could you please detail the process of how the campaigns were commissioned.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Sure.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: And the number, obviously. I think we have asked how many campaigns above the \$250,000 level are currently—.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: You have already asked that and we have already taken it on notice.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: How many current advertising campaigns are there? Have we asked that?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Just to make sure, I will take that on notice, too.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Clearly only those above \$250,000—the number, the relevant department, the nature of the advertising campaign, the cost of each advertising campaign, together with the duration and the type of media purchased, whether it is TV, radio or print.</p>	
41	Department of Finance	2/2.5	McAllister	Government advertising campaign process and principles	<p>Senator McALLISTER: Listening to that answer I am reflecting on this: the principles associated with Commonwealth government advertising would nonetheless be applied before you initiated the expenditure, not only at the point at which the expenditure becomes a campaign, I guess.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We do go through a proper process to make relevant decisions, and of course the overall expenditure in the last few years has been below the overall expenditure in the last two years of the previous government. I am happy to provide you with that information and all this too.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: That would actually be very good, and if that can be broken down, because I think we would be interested in understanding expenditure, whether it has been incurred as part of a campaign or as some pre-campaign expenditure associated with either commissioning work, creative work, or any research that has been commissioned in terms of audience research, whether qualitative or quantitative social research associated with campaigns. So a breakdown of that would be terrific.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: Sure. I am happy to take that on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 113, 9 February 2016
42	Department of Finance	2/2.5	McAllister	Government advertising campaigns before the Service Delivery and Co-ordination Committee	<p>Senator LUDWIG: How many does that have currently sitting on its desk?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: I would have to take that on notice. That is obviously a committee of the cabinet, and you would appreciate the boundaries that apply to that.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Can I put it this way: have there been any that have been refused in the last 12 months?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: I will take that on notice. Again, these are considerations by a cabinet committee.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 113, 9 February 2016
43	Department of Finance	2/2.5	Ludwig	Government advertising – compliance audits	<p>Senator LUDWIG: 'Approval' is my word, but let us say 'compliance report'. Generally the minister would not continue to pursue the campaign until that report was finalised. The minister could choose to do that, as I understand it, but they tend not to. So I was going to ask a series of questions. First of all, how many are sitting there waiting for the compliance program to be completed?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: I will take it on notice to see to what extent we can assist.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Secondly, have there been any campaigns that have gone ahead before the compliance audit has been finalised or even if the compliance audit was not finalised?</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We might take that on notice.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 114, 9 February 2016

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44	Department of Finance	3/3.1	McAllister	Government staffing profile	<p>Senator McALLISTER: You may wish to take some of these questions on notice. I do not expect you to have this information with you this evening. I am hoping that you will be able to table an updated government staffing profile.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: We will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: In particular, I am looking for the total number, how many are assigned to each office, the classifications for personnel and any non-standard home or work cases. Minister Cormann, in general are you able to provide any advice about what changes to the government staffing profile have occurred since the change—</p> <p>Senator Cormann: In general, no.</p> <p>Senator McALLISTER: I have asked Ms Halton to provide a detailed list. I am interested to know whether the number of staff provided to the government has increased significantly or decreased since the change of prime ministership.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: In general, I do not believe so, but let me make sure that the answer is right on the specifics. Given that Ms Halton has already taken the question on notice, I think that is probably the best way to deal with that.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: And in that, how many there are in the PMO's office and whether that has changed.</p> <p>Senator Cormann: If we provide you with the government staffing profile I think that that will cover the PMO.</p> <p>Ms Halton: We have done that before. That is fine.</p>	Hansard Proof, F&PA Committee, Page 115, 9 February 2016
45	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Smith	Enrolment numbers in the Division of Indi	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the current total number of electors enrolled in the Federal electorate of Indi? 2. In answer to Question on Notice F19 from the Supplementary Estimates hearings in 2015, the AEC indicated that its formal investigation of peoples' enrolment in the Federal electorate of Indi in 2013 covered 5,908 instances of enrolment which were new to Indi. Further, in answer to Question on Notice F85 2 (a) from Supplementary Estimates hearings, the AEC indicated that the enrolment of 8,260 people changed from Indi to another electorate between the time of the 2013 election and 31 October 2015. How many of the people among the group of 5,908 were also among the group of 8,260? 3. Specifically for Indi, how do the figures listed in answer to Question on Notice F19 compare to the same roughly two-year period immediately following other Federal elections in respect of that electorate? Are they broadly higher, lower, or about the same? In particular, is it possible to provide the numbers for each of these two categories of voters in Indi for the following periods: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) 22 August 2010 to 30 September 2012; b) 25 November 2007 to 31 December 2009; c) 10 October 2004 to 30 November 2006; and d) 11 November 2001 to 31 December 2003? 4. Using the same two categories specified in Question on Notice F19 for enrolments which were new to Indi in 2013, what was the number of enrolments which were new to Indi (and remained on the roll for the relevant Federal election) for each of the following periods: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) 1 January 2010 to the date at which enrolments closed for the 2010 Federal election; b) 1 January 2007 to the date at which enrolments closed for the 2007 Federal election; c) 1 January 2004 to the date at which enrolments closed for the 2004 Federal election; and d) 1 January 2001 to the date at which enrolments closed for the 2001 Federal election. 5. Using each of the same time periods and the same two categories specified in the answer to Question on Notice F19 for enrolments which were new to Indi in 2013, what was the number of enrolments which were new (and remained on the roll 	Written

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					<p>for the Federal election) to each Federal electorate in Victoria during 2001, 2004, 2007, 2010 and 2013 respectively?</p> <p>6. In answer to Question on Notice F85 2 (a) from Supplementary Estimates hearings for 2015, the AEC indicated that, between the time of the 2013 election and 31 October 2015, 3,740 people had manually changed their enrolment from Indi to another electorate, and the AEC had separately taken action to re-enrol another 4,520 people from Indi to another electorate. Can the AEC provide figures (during the same time period) for each of these two categories in relation to changes of enrolment for each Federal electorate in Victoria?</p> <p>7. The answer to Question on Notice F85 2 (b) indicates that a specific sub-category of 11 people had changed their enrolment from Indi to another electorate after the 2013 election. What was the date in each of these 11 cases on which they submitted their application to the AEC to leave the Indi roll and be enrolled in a new electorate?</p>	
46	All	General	Bilyk	Ministerial functions and official receptions	<p>In relation to any functions or official receptions hosted by Ministers or Assistant Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries in the Finance portfolio since 20 October 2015, can the following please be provided:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List of functions; 2. List of attendees including departmental officials and members of the Minister's family or personal staff; 3. Function venue; 4. Itemised list of costs; 5. Details of any food served; 6. Details of any wines or champagnes served including brand and vintage; and 7. Details of any entertainment provided. 	Written
47	Department of Finance	General	Bilyk	Secretary's speeches to staff	Can a copy of any speeches delivered by the Secretary of the Finance Department at any staff meetings since 20 October 2015 please be provided?	Written
48	Department of Finance	General	Bilyk	Executive office upgrades	Have the furniture, fixtures or fittings of the Secretary's office or offices of any Deputy Secretaries been upgraded since 20 October 2015? If so, can an itemised list of costs please be provided?	Written
49	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Bilyk	Mantach fraud	<p>I refer to the \$1.5 million fraud perpetrated by former Director of the Tasmanian and Victorian Divisions of the Liberal Party, Damien Mantach. It was reported that the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party has been forced to repay almost \$200,000 to State and Federal Governments over wrongly-claimed parliamentary printing and communications entitlements, arising from this fraud. Has Victorian Liberal Party President Michael Kroger or any other Victorian Liberal apparatchik repaid any of the funds that the Liberal Party defrauded from the taxpayer?</p>	Written

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					<p>If <u>yes</u>:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much did the Liberal Party repay? 2. How was that figure arrived at? 3. Is the Department satisfied that all amounts the Liberal Party defrauded from the Commonwealth taxpayer have been repaid? 4. Did the Liberal Party offer to repay its debt with interest, to ensure the taxpayer isn't out of pocket? <p>If <u>no</u>:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why hasn't the Liberal Party repaid this money? 2. What correspondence has the Department had with the Liberal Party about this debt? 3. Has the Liberal Party made any further offers to repay its debt to the Commonwealth? 4. Has the Department taken any legal advice or obtained advice from forensic accountants and the like about the Liberal Party fraud? 5. If so, who was engaged? How much did this cost? Can Contract Notice numbers for Austender for all relevant contracts please be provided? 6. Has the Department considered taking legal action against the Liberal Party to recover this outstanding debt? 	
50	Department of Finance	General	Bilyk	AusTender contract – Executive Intelligence Group	<p>In relation to contract number CN3104712 as notified on AusTender, awarded to Executive Intelligence Group for “Executive Search Services”:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many positions did Executive Intelligence Group provide recruitment support for in relation to this contract? 2. What were the positions, and what is the APS pay level for each of them? 3. What services did Executive Intelligence Group provide in relation to this contract? 	Written
51	Department of Finance	General	Bilyk	Statutory, board and legislated office 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
52	All	General	Ludwig	Taxi costs	<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

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53	All	General	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. 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? 	Written
54	All	General	Ludwig	Executive coaching and leadership training	<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. 5. For each service purchased from 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; and f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package). 6. 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 for each employment classification); 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. 7. 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? 8. For graduate or post graduate study, please breakdown each approved study leave by staffing allocation and degree or 	Written

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55	All	General	Ludwig	Staffing profile	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 1. Has there been any change to the staffing profile of the department/agency? 2. Provide a list of changes to staffing numbers, broken down by classification level, division, home base location (including town/city and state).	Written
56	All	General	Ludwig	Staffing reductions	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred? What was the reason for these reductions? 2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. 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. 4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening. 5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. 6. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency? What classification were these staff? 7. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from? What classification were these staff? 8. What are the voluntary redundancy packages offered? Please detail for each staff level and position 9. How do the packages differ from the default public service package? 10. How is the department/agency funding the packages?	Written
57	All	General	Ludwig	Staffing recruitment	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 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
58	All	General	Ludwig	Kitchen Appliances	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the department/agency purchased, leased or rented any kitchen appliances over the value of \$1000? If yes: 1. 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 was purchased? 2. Why were the appliances purchased? 3. 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? 4. Where did the funding for the appliances come from?	Written

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					5. Who has access? 6. 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? 7. What are the other ongoing costs of the appliances?	
59	All	General	Ludwig	Boards (for Departments or agencies with boards)	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 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 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.	Written
60	All	General	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
61	All	General	Ludwig	Government payments 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: a) in under 30 days? b) in between 30 and 60 days? c) in between 60 and 90 days? d) in between 90 and 120 days? e) in over 120 days? 3. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the	Written

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					portfolio/department agency? 4. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?	
62	All	General	Ludwig	Hire cars	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 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
63	All	General	Ludwig	Credit cards	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 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 credit card use is monitored? 4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so: a) Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. b) Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse? 5. How many credit cards are available to the Minister or their office? If so: a) Please list by classification. b) Has there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? c) 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.	Written
64	All	General	Ludwig	Functions	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 1. Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister. Include: 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; and 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
65	Department of Finance	2/2.2	Ludwig	Red tape reduction	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015 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. 1. 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?	Written

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. Lease 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? 	
66	All	General	Ludwig	Land costs	<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 be included). 3. List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)? b) What is the value of the items identified in (3)? c) What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)? 4. How many buildings (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease? 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). 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? 	Written
67	All	General	Ludwig	Contracts for Temporary Staff	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff? 2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed? 3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed? 4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff? 5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff? 	Written
68	All	General	Ludwig	Printing	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed?* How many of these printed documents were also published online? 2. Has the Department/Agency used external printing services for any print jobs? If so: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What companies were used? b) How were they selected? c) What was the total cost of this printing by item? 	Written

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					* Senator Ludwig has clarified: 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.	
69	All	General	Ludwig	Communications staff	For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: 1. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. 2. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location. 3. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location. 4. How many are graphic designers? 5. How many are media managers? 6. How many organise events? Have these arrangements changed Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015? If yes, please detail.	Written
70	All	General	Ludwig	Reviews	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 1. How many new reviews (defined as review, inter-departmental group, inquiry, internal review or similar activity) have been commenced? Please list them including: 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; and 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? If so: a) please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names b) please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent c) for each what is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each cost item; d) For each, what is the nature of their involvement; e) For each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details. f) For each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them;	Written

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					<p>g) For each, who selected them;</p> <p>h) For each, did the Minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them? If yes:</p> <p>i) Please detail what involvement it was.</p> <p>ii) Did they see or provided input to a short list?</p> <p>iii) On what dates did this involvement occur?</p> <p>iv) Did this involve any verbal discussions with the department?</p> <p>v) On what dates did this involvement occur?</p> <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> <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>a) When will each planned review be commenced?</p> <p>b) When will each of these reviews be concluded?</p> <p>c) When will government respond to each review?</p> <p>d) Will the government release each review?</p> <p>i) If so, when? If not, why not?</p>	
71	All	General	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? 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
72	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Appointments	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:</p> <p>1. Please detail any board appointments made to date.</p> <p>2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?</p> <p>3. Has the department instigated of 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> <p>4. Please specify when these gender ratio or participation policies were changed.</p>	Written

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73	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Stationery requirements	<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
74	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Electronic equipment provided to Minister's office	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, other than phones, ipads or computers – please list the electronic equipment provided to the Minister's office.</p> <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. 7. Note if the items were requested by the office or proactively provided by the department. 	Written
75	All	General	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 subscriptions and the reason for each. b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period? 3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each. b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period? 4. What publications does your department/agency purchase? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each. b) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period? 	Written

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76	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Meeting costs	<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 planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 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. 	Written
77	All	General	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; and f) The location that this training was provided. 2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1), 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 (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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	Written
78	All	General	Ludwig	Consultancies	<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 (ie. 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? 	Written

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) List each, including name, cost and purpose b) If so, why? 	
79	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Provision of equipment - ministerial	<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? 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is provided; b) The purchase cost; c) The ongoing cost; d) 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); and e) A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item. 	Written
80	All	General	Ludwig	Provision of equipment - departmental	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, 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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What has been provided; 2. The purchase cost; 3. The ongoing cost; 4. 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); and 5. A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item. 	Written
81	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Computers	<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 department's computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs. 	Written

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82	All	General	Ludwig	Travel costs - department	<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
83	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Ludwig	Travel costs - ministerial	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please detail all travel conducted by the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary; 2. List each location, method of travel, itinerary and purpose of trip; 3. List the total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals); 4. List the number of staff that accompanied the Minister/Parliamentary secretary, listing the total costs per staff member, the class of airplane travelled, the classification of staff accompanying the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary; and 5. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. 	Written
84	Department of Finance	General	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

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85	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Departmental Rebranding	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the department/Agency undergone a name change or any other form of rebranding? If so:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please detail why this name change / rebrand were considered necessary and a justified use of departmental funds? 2. Please provide a copy of any reports that were commissioned to study the benefits and costs associated with the rebranding. 3. Please provide the total cost associated with this rebrand and then break down by amount spent replacing: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Signage; b) Stationery (please include details of existing stationery and how it was disposed of); c) Logos; d) Consultancy; e) Any relevant IT changes; and f) Office reconfiguration. 4. How was the decision reached to rename and/or rebrand the department? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Who was involved in reaching this decision? b) 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. 	Written
86	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Media monitoring	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Which agency or agencies provided these services? b) What has been spent providing these services during the specified period? c) Itemise these expenses. 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? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Which agency or agencies provided these services? b) What has been spent providing these services during the specified period? c) Itemise these expenses. 	Written
87	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Procedure Manuals (Ministerial)	<p>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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When was the manual last updated? 2. Who is responsible for updating the manual? 3. Who is the manual distributed to? 4. Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the department? 	Written
88	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Ludwig	Ministerial staff code	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have there been any identified breaches of the Ministerial Staff Code of Conduct by the Minister, their office or the department? If so: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) List the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level b) What remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not? c) When was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware? 	Written

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Can the Minister confirm that all ministerial and electorate officers in their office comply fully with the ministerial staff code of conduct? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) If not, how many staff don't comply, broken down by classification level? b) How long have they worked for the Minister? 3. Can you confirm they all complied with the code on the date of their employment? If not, on what date did they comply? 4. Can you confirm that all disclosures as required by the code were made to the government staffing committee? If so, on what date were those disclosure made? 5. By position title list the date each staff member was approved by government staff committee. 6. Can you confirm all staff have divested themselves of any and all relevant shares as of the date of their appointment. 7. Can you list by number if any staff have been granted exception by the SMOS to remain a director of a company as allowed by the Ministerial Staff Code of Conduct, break down by position level. 	
89	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Ludwig	Ministerial Code of Conduct – SMOS response	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015, could the SMOS please answer the following questions on behalf of all ministers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have there been any identified breaches of the Ministerial Staff Code of Conduct by any Minister, their office or the department? If so: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) List the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level. b) What remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not? c) When was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware? 2. Can the SMOS confirm that all ministerial and electorate officers in their office comply fully with the ministerial staff code of conduct? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) If not, how many staff don't comply, broken down by classification level? b) How long have they worked for the Minister? 3. Can you confirm they all complied with the code on the date of their employment? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) If not, on what date did they comply? 4. Can you confirm that all disclosures as required by the code were made to the government staffing committee? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) If so, on what date were those disclosure made? 5. By position title list the date each staff member was approved by government staff committee 6. Can you confirm all staff have divested themselves of any and all relevant shares as of the date of their appointment 7. Can you list by number if any staff have been granted exception by the SMOS to remain a director of a company as allowed by the Ministerial Staff Code of Conduct, break down by position level. 	Written
90	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Enterprise Bargaining Agreements (EBAs)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please list all related EBAs with coverage of the department. 2. Please list their starting and expiration dates. 3. What is the current status of negotiations for the next agreement/s? Please detail. 	Written

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91	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Existing Resources Program	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, 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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> List each. List the staffing assigned to each task. What is the nominal total salary cost of the officers assigned to the project? What resources or equipment has been assigned to the project? 	Written
92	All	2/2.1	Ludwig	Conditions of Government Contracts and Agreements	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction? 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? What are the specific clauses and/or sections which state this, or in effect, create a limitation or restriction? For each of the contracts and agreements, are there any particular reasons, such as genuine commercial in confidence information, for this restriction? 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? 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? If no consultation has occurred, why not? 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? 	Written
93	All	General	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"> What work has been done towards preparing for the review? If none, why not? Please provide a schedule or a workplan for the review. When did/will this work begin? When is/was the review due to commence? What is the expected report date? Who is the minister responsible for the review? What department is responsible for the review? List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision. List the terms of reference. What is the scope of the review? Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review? What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review? When was the Minister briefed on this matter? 	Written

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					<p>14. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?</p> <p>15. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review.</p> <p>16. Will the the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?</p>	
94	All	General	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
95	All	General	Ludwig	Legal Costs	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:</p> <p>1. List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency;</p> <p>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;</p> <p>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); and</p> <p>4. How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice.</p>	Written

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96	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Procedure Manuals (Departmental)	Does the department have a procedure manual for communication between the department and the minister? If yes, please provide a copy and: 1. When was the manual last updated? 2. Who is responsible for updating the manual? 3. Has the minister's office had any input into the content of the manual? If so, please detail. 4. Who is the manual distributed to? 5. Is anyone responsible for clearing communications before they are sent to the minister or the minister's office?	Written
97	All	General	Ludwig	Vending machines	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the department/agency purchased or leased or taken under contract any vending machine facilities? If so: 1. List these; 2. List the total cost for these items; 3. List the itemised cost for each item of expenditure; 4. Where were these purchased; 5. List the process for identifying how they would be purchased; 6. What is the current location for these items; and 7. What is the current usage for each of these items?	Written
98	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Self Initiated work	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)? Please list all ongoing projects. For each, please detail: 1. When did the project commence? 2. When is it expected to conclude? 3. What will the total cost of the project be? 4. Where did the money for the project come from? 5. Where is the project based?	Written
99	All	General	Ludwig	Staff Awards	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the department/agency given out awards to staff for any reason? If yes: 1. What was the reason for the awards? 2. What was the criteria for the awards? 3. What form did the award take? (e.g. Certificate, gift vouchers etc) 4. How much was spent on the award? 5. How were the awards presented? 6. Who presented the awards? 7. Was there a ceremony or party for the awards? If yes: 8. Where was it held? 9. Was there a fee for the venue? If yes, how much? 10. How much was spent on catering? 11. How many people attended?	Written

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					12. Did the minister attend? 13. Did the minister's staff attend? If yes, how many?	
100	All	General	Ludwig	Change Management	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the Department/Agency engaged in a policy of Change Management? If yes: 1. Please detail the policy. 2. When was the policy introduced? 3. What are the goals of the policy? 4. How much was spent on consulting for the policy and who was contracted for this consultation? 5. How much was spent implementing this policy?	Written
101	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Departmental Staff Misconduct	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct. 2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff? If yes: a) List the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level. b) What remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not? c) When was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware? d) Were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.	Written
102	All	General	Ludwig	Fee for services	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, 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: 1. Name of the fee and a short description of what it covers; 2. How much is the fee (and is it a flat fee or a percentage of the service); 3. The date the fee came into place; 4. 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; 5. What consultation was carried out before the fee was put into place; 6. How was the fee put into place (e.g. through legislation, regulation changes etc); and 7. What justification is there for the fee?	Written
103	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Documents provided to minister	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?	Written

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					5. What level officer are they provided to in the minister's office?	
104	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Merchandise or promotional material	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the department purchased any merchandise or promotional material?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 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); 2. List the cost for each item; 3. List the quantity of each item; 4. Who suggested these materials be created; 5. Who approved its creation; 6. Provide copies of authorisation; 7. When was the Minister informed of the material being created; 8. Who created the material; 9. How was that person selected; and 10. How many individuals or groups were considered in selecting who to create the material? 	Written
105	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Domain Usage	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, 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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Domain name of the website being accessed (or IP address if the Domain is unavailable in the tracking system); 2. Amount of data downloaded and uploaded to the site; and 3. Number of times the site was accessed. 	Written
106	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Ministerial Website	<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 the Minister's website? List each item of expenditure and cost. 2. Who is responsible for uploading information to the Minister's website? 3. Have any departmental staff been required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Minister's website? Please detail. 	Written

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107	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Report Printing	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, 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? If so please give details: 1. Name of report; 2. Number of copies; 3. Cost of printing; 4. Who order the disposal; and 5. Reason for disposal.	Written
108	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	FOI Requests	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 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: 4. For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest? 5. For how many has a redacted document been provided?	Written
109	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Ministerial motor vehicle	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the Minister been provided with or had access to a motor vehicle? If so: 1. What is the make and model? 2. How much did it cost? 3. When was it provided? 4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? 5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. 6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? 7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle. 8. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail. 9. 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. 10. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.	Written
110	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Ministerial staff vehicles (non-MoPS)	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle? If so: 1. What is the make and model? 2. How much did it cost? 3. When was it provided? 4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? 5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and	Written

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					<p>fuel.</p> <p>6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?</p> <p>7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.</p> <p>8. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p> <p>9. 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>10. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p>	
111	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Ludwig	Ministerial staff vehicles	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle under the MoPS Act entitlements? If so:</p> <p>1. What is the make and model?</p> <p>2. How much did it cost?</p> <p>3. When was it provided?</p> <p>4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?</p> <p>5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.</p> <p>6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?</p> <p>7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.</p> <p>8. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p> <p>9. 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>10. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p>	Written
112	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Ludwig	Ministerial staff vehicles – SMOS response	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015, could the SMOS please answer the following questions on behalf of all ministers:</p> <p>Have any Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle under the MoPS Act entitlements? If so:</p> <p>1. What is the make and model?</p> <p>2. How much did it cost?</p> <p>3. When was it provided?</p> <p>4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?</p> <p>5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.</p> <p>6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?</p> <p>7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.</p> <p>8. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.</p> <p>9. 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>10. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail</p>	Written

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113	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Lobbyist Register Meetings	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 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
114	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Workplace assessments	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 1. How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments? 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
115	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Freedom of Information (FOI) - statistics	Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015: 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 extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act? 5. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?	Written
116	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Ludwig	Ministerial staff turnover	1. List the current staffing allocation for each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary. 2. For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff recruited, broken down by their staffing classification. 3. For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff that have resigned, broken down by their staffing classification. 4. For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff that have been terminated, broken down by their staffing classification. 5. For each Ministerial staff position, please provide a table of how many individual people have been engaged against each position since the swearing in of the Abbott Government, broken down by employing member and the dates of their employment.	Written
117	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Ludwig	Ministerial staff turnover – SMOS response	Could the SMOS please answer the following questions on behalf of all ministers: Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015: 1. List the current staffing allocation for all Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries. 2. For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff recruited, broken down by their staffing classification. 3. For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff that have resigned, broken down by their staffing classification 4. For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff that have been terminated, broken down by their staffing classification 5. For each Ministerial staff position, please provide a table of how many individual people have been engaged against each	Written

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					position, broken down by employing member and the dates of their employment.	
118	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Multiple tenders	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, list any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times? 2. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued? 3. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal? 	Written
119	All	General	Ludwig	Market Research	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, list any market research conducted by the department/agency:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List the total cost of this research. 2. List each item of expenditure and cost, broken down by division and program. 3. Who conducted the research? 4. How were they identified? 5. Where was the research conducted? 6. In what way was the research conducted? 7. Were focus groups, round tables or other forms of research tools used? 8. How were participants for these focus groups et al selected? 9. How was the firm or individual that conducted the review selected? 10. What input did the Minister have? 11. How was it approved? 12. Were other firms or individuals considered? If yes, please detail. 	Written
120	All	General	Ludwig	Departmental upgrades	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities? If so:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List these. 2. List the total cost for these changes. 3. List the itemised cost for each item of expenditure. 4. Who conducted the works? 5. List the process for identifying who would conduct these works. 6. If so, when are the works expected to be completed? 	Written

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121	All	General	Ludwig	Wine Coolers / Fridges	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, 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? If so:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List these. 2. List the total cost for these items. 3. List the itemised cost for each item of expenditure. 4. Where were these purchased? 5. List the process for identifying how they would be purchased. 6. What is the current location for these items? 7. What is the current stocking level for each of these items? 	Written
122	All	General	Ludwig	Office Plants	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the department/agency purchased or leased any office plants? If so:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List these. 2. List the total cost for these items. 3. List the itemised cost for each item of expenditure. 4. Where were these purchased? 5. List the process for identifying how they would be purchased. 6. What is the current location for these items? 	Written
123	All	General	Ludwig	Office recreation facilities	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, 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)? If so:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List these. 2. List the total cost for these items. 3. List the itemised cost for each item of expenditure. 4. Where were these purchased? 5. List the process for identifying how they would be purchased. 6. What is the current location for these items? 7. What is the current usage for each of these items? 	Written
124	All	General	Ludwig	Building Lease Costs	<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. 	Written

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>4. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by:</p> <ul 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. Has this cost been allocated into the budget? e) Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department. <p>5. For each building owned or leased by the department:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is the current occupancy rate for the building? b) If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for. 	
125	All	General	Ludwig	Government advertising/marketing	<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 the department / agency on marketing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) List the total cost b) List each item of expenditure and cost c) List the approving officer for each item. d) Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process. e) Which firm provided the marketing? 2. How much has been spent by the department / agency on government advertising (including job ads)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) List the total cost b) List each item of expenditure and cost c) Where the advertising appeared d) List the approving officer for each item. e) Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process. f) Detail the outlets that were paid for the advertising. 3. What government advertising is planned for the rest of the financial year? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) List the total expected cost. b) List each item of expenditure and cost. c) Where the advertising will appear. d) List the approving officer for each item. e) Detail the ministerial or ministerial staff involvement in the commissioning process. f) Detail the outlets that have been or will be paid for the advertising. 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. 	Written

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126	Department of Finance	General	Ludwig	Electorate office relocations	<p>Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the guidelines through which a member or senator can request to have their electorate office relocated? 2. Please provide a list of standard features, fixtures, furniture and other equipment that come standard with an electorate office relocation. 3. Which members and/or senators have relocated their electorate offices to a new location during the specified period? 4. For each listed above, please provide a cost break down for the relocation. 5. For each listed above, please provide a list of all specific requests made by the member, senator or their office for features, fixtures, furniture and other equipment. 6. Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) between the member, senator or their office regarding the office relocation. 	Written
127	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Rhiannon	Reporting of donations by a parent company	Why does the Australian Electoral Commission ask that a parent company report any donations made by a subsidiary of it to be considered as one donation and not reported separately?	Written
128	Department of Finance	2/2.5	Carr	Purchasing of copy paper	<p>For each Australian Government Department and/or government agency, can the Department of Finance please provide a breakdown of the percentage of Australian made copy paper purchased by that Department in the 2014-15 financial year, as well as the total percentage of Australian made copy paper purchased by the Australian Government in 2014-15 financial year.</p> <p>In the Department's response, please include information on volumes, a breakdown by country of origin, the supplier, the percentage of recycled content and value of the contract.</p>	Written
129	Australian Electoral Commission	General	Abetz	Correspondence between the AEC and Senator Abetz	<p>Reference is made to the correspondence and attached brochure between myself and the Australian Electoral Commission dated the 15th December, 2015 and 24th December, 2015 respectively.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the attached brochure in part say 'for more and better information, go to the source: www.aec.gov.au'? 2. Is the AEC the source of the material in the brochure? If so, please provide the relevant material. 3. If the AEC is not the source of the material, what action has the AEC taken to correct the record? Please specify. <p>If no action has been taken, please explain the reason for failing to do so.</p>	Written
130	Department of Finance	2/2.1	McKenzie	Approval of grants to co-operatives and mutuals	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Could the Department please provide detailed figures regarding the number and amount of grants it has approved in the past 12 months to co-operatives and mutuals as compared to incorporated businesses? If none, why? 2. Will the Department consider changing criteria to allow co-operatives to apply for funding under government programmes? 	Written

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131	Department of Finance	General	Wong	New Electronic Workplace Environment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many new monitors are being acquired as part of the new electronic workplace environment? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is the brand and model of these new monitors? b) At what unit cost are these new monitors being acquired? c) How many old monitors are being replaced? d) What will happen with the old monitors? 2. How many new CPU boxes are being acquired as part of the new electronic workplace environment? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is the brand and model of these new CPU boxes? b) At what unit cost are these new CPU boxes being acquired? c) How many old CPU boxes are being replaced? d) What will happen with the old CPU boxes? 3. How many new keyboards are being acquired as part of the new electronic workplace environment? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is the brand and model of these new keyboards? b) At what unit cost are these new keyboards being acquired? c) How many old keyboards are being replaced? d) What will happen with the old keyboards? 4. How many new computer mice are being acquired as part of the new electronic workplace environment? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is the brand and model of these new computer mice? b) At what unit cost are these new computer mice being acquired? c) How many old computer mice are being replaced? d) What will happen with the old computer mice? 5. How many new laptops are being acquired as part of the new electronic workplace environment? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is the brand and model of these new laptops? b) At what unit cost are these new laptops being acquired? c) Who will receive a new laptop? d) How many old laptops are being replaced? e) What will happen with the old laptops? 6. Are Finance employees receiving new mobile phones as a result of the new electronic workplace environment? If yes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How many new mobile phones are being acquired as part of the new electronic workplace environment? b) What is the brand and model of these new mobile phones? c) At what unit cost are these new mobile phones being acquired? d) Who will receive a new mobile phone? e) How many old mobile phones are being replaced? f) What will happen with the old mobile phones? 7. Will there be a wi-fi network established in the new Finance building as part of the new electronic workplace environment? If yes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Who will be providing the wi-fi network? b) What will be the speed of the wi-fi network, for both uploads and downloads? c) What level of security will the wi-fi network be set to? d) What access protocols are in place to access the wi-fi network? e) Who will be able to access the wi-fi network? 	Written

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					8. How many new Surface Pros are being acquired as part of the new electronic workplace environment? a) At what unit cost are these new Surface Pros being acquired? b) Who will receive a new Surface Pro? c) What are these Surface Pros replacing? d) If they are replacing a piece of hardware, how many pieces of hardware are being replaced? e) What will happen with the old hardware?	
132	Department of Finance	General	Wong	Mobile phones - Departmental	1. How many mobile phones are in use by Finance employees? 2. With which telecommunications service provider are Finance mobile phones linked to? 3. What is the cost of the plan for each mobile phone? 4. How much data is included in this plan? 5. What is the cost if data usage goes beyond its quota? 6. Have there been instances where data usage for individual mobile phone users has exceeded its quota? If so, can the Department detail the costs incurred as a result for the 2014-15 financial year, and the 2015-16 financial year to date.	Written
133	Department of Finance	1/1.1	Wong	Budget Process – decrease in Operational Rules	With reference to evidence by officials at the Finance Additional Estimates Hearing on 9 February 2016 regarding the decrease in the budget process operational rules: “I think we went from around 140 to 150 different rules down to 40 to 50”. 1. Can the Department provide details of each of the rules that are no longer in the Budget Process Operational Rules? 2. Does their removal mean that the old rules no longer apply to the Budget Process? 3. If not, where are these old rules now? What documents are they contained in?	Written
134	Department of Finance	1/1.1	Wong	Budget Process Operational Rules – offsets for bids	Are all new bids for departmental expenditure, whether they are for public service average staffing level or external staff such as contractors or consultants, required to be fully offset?	Written
135	Department of Finance	1/1.1	Wong	Payments as a share of GDP	1. In the 2015-16 financial year, how much did payments either increase or decrease between the 2015-16 Budget and the 2015-16 MYEFO? 2. In the 2015-16 financial year, how much did payments either increase or decrease between the 2015-16 Budget and the 2015-16 MYEFO due to policy decisions of the Government? 3. In the 2015-16 financial year, how much did payments either increase or decrease between the 2015-16 Budget and the 2015-16 MYEFO due to parameter or other variations?	Written
136	Department of Finance	1/1.1	Wong	Offsetting revenue impact of free trade agreements	1. When was the decision made to no longer offset the revenue impacts of free trade agreements? a) Was it a decision of Cabinet or of the Minister? 2. Can the Department provide a list containing information on all of the signed free trade agreements between Australia and other countries, when they were signed, and whether or not the revenue impact of those agreements was offset?	Written Transferred to Treasury 3/3/16

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137	Department of Finance	1/1.1	Wong	Financial profiles for all measures where “savings for this measure have already been provided” or “funding for this measure has already been provided”	Can the Department provide a list of all the measures in the 2015-16 MYEFO where there are dashes in the financial table, and the measures description contains the lines: “savings for this measure have already been provided for...” or “funding for this measure has already been provided for”, with the year-by-year funding profile over the forward estimates?	Written
138	Department of Finance	1/1.1	Wong	Long Term Budget Policy Branch	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the total departmental expenses allocated for the Long Term Budget Policy Branch? 2. How many staff are there in the branch? 3. What are their classifications? 	Written
139	Department of Finance	1/1.1	Wong	Central Budget Management System	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide an update on the status of the Central Budget Management System redevelopment? 2. How many staff are in the CBMS-R Taskforce? 3. How many consultants or contractors have the Department engaged to do work as part of the CBMS-R Taskforce? 	Written
140	Department of Finance	1/1.1	Wong	Budget models	Does Finance have co-ownership of any models with any other Government departments or agencies? If so, which ones?	Written
141	Department of Finance	General	Wong	2015-16 Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On page 13 of the 2015-16 Finance PAES, an additional \$1.1 billion appears to be required under the Superannuation Act 1990 – is that correct? Can the Department confirm why this additional amount is required? How will this amount be appropriated? 2. On page 13 of the 2015-16 Finance PAES, there is a decrease of \$472 million required under the Superannuation Act 1976 - is that correct? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Can the Department confirm why this additional amount is required? b) How will this amount be appropriated? 3. On Page 18 of the 2015-16 Finance PAES, there is an increase of \$604 million in 2015-16 in relation to program 2.6 under “Superannuation Estimates update” – is that correct? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Why there has been that increase? 4. On Page 18 of the 2015-16 Finance PAES, there’s a line relating to Streamlining grants administration – transfer from the Digital Transformation Office – with \$3.7 million in 2015-16, with \$602,000 in 2016-17 and \$405,000 in 2017-18. Is that 	Written

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					<p>correct?</p> <p>a) What is the reason for this transfer?</p> <p>5. What is the “streamlining grants administration”? For what purpose was the around \$4.7 million transferred to Finance?</p> <p>a) What is that amount of money being used for?</p> <p>6. On Page 18 of the 2015-16 Finance PAES, there is a line relating to the transfer of Boardlinks from Finance to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.</p> <p>a) Was this move part of the Administrative Arrangements Order change at the end of last year?</p> <p>b) Was it publicly announced at all? If so, when?</p> <p>7. Is there the presumption that the amount taken out of Finance (\$687,000) was transferred 100 per cent to PM&C?</p> <p>8. On Page 18 of the 2015-16 Finance PAES, can the Department explain the two lines relating to transfer of functions associated with public data policy, including Gov 2.0 and related matters to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Digital Transformation Office?</p> <p>a) What exactly has been transferred with that level of funding?</p> <p>b) How many staff were transferred to PM&C and the DTO respectively?</p> <p>9. Can the Department explain why annual departmental expenses for Financial Framework decrease each year over the forward estimates, as shown on page 29 of the 2015-16 Finance PAES?</p>	
142	Department of Finance	General	Wong	Parliamentary Workflow System	<p>On page 18 of the 2015-16 Finance PAES, there is a decrease of \$332,000 in 2015-16 for Outcome 2 as a result of the Parliamentary Workflow System.</p> <p>1. Can the Department explain why there was this decrease?</p> <p>2. Can the Department provide information on how Finance is interacting or is involved with the Parliamentary Workflow System?</p>	Written
143	Department of Finance	2/2.2	Wong	Telepresence	<p>1. How many more units can be sustained in the existing Telepresence infrastructure?</p> <p>2. Can the Department provide a list of the locations of the NTS Phase 1 sites?</p>	Written
144	Department of Finance	2/2.2	Wong	ICON	<p>1. What is the unit cost for agencies in terms of the number of links that they have?</p> <p>2. How much does it cost for agencies to have new work done in relation to ICON? Is there a unit/fixed cost for this?</p>	Written

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145	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Wong	Charging Review - Finance	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide an update of the work being done on the Finance portfolio charging review? 2. Which services or activities within the Finance portfolio are subject to charging under the Australian Government Charging Framework? 3. Which services or activities within the Finance portfolio are subject to cost-recovery activities? 4. Which services or activities within the Finance portfolio are not subject to charging or cost-recovery activities? 	Written
146	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Wong	Charging Reviews – Infrastructure and Regional Development, Communications, Social Services	Will the Final Portfolio Review Charging Reports for the Infrastructure and Regional Development, Communications and Social Services portfolios be made public? If not, why not?	Written
147	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Wong	Inquiry into Development of the Commonwealth Performance Framework	<p>In relation the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit’s Report 453 “Development of the Commonwealth Performance Framework” :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the Department agree with all of the recommendations in the report? 2. If not, which recommendations does the Department agree with? Which recommendations does the Department disagree with? Why? 3. With the recommendations that the Department agrees with, what work is being done in the department to implement the recommendations? 	Written
148	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Wong	Publication of information within financial statements / annual reports	Has there been a change in the requirement to publish information relating to remuneration of senior executives in financial statements and annual reports? If so, can the Department detail the reasons for this change? When did this change occur?	Written
149	Department of Finance	2/2.1	Wong	Grants in aid	<p>Please provide a list of all grants in aid administered by the Department including details on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Date commenced; 2. Purpose of funding; and 3. Funding profile. 	Written
150	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Wong	Malabar Headland	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide a breakdown of the \$5 million provided to Finance for the Malabar Headland – upgrade measure in the 2015-16 MYEFO into what has been allocated for the horse riding facilities, and for the upgrades to other facilities and amenities? 2. With regards to the horse riding facilities, can the Department able to provide information of what precisely is being built? When will construction of these facilities commence? 3. With regards to the upgrades to other facilities and amenities, can the Department provide a list of the facilities and 	Written

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					<p>amenities that will be upgraded? For each of these facilities and amenities, can the Department describe what precisely is being done as part of the upgrade? When will these upgrades commence?</p> <p>4. Is there any funding within the \$5 million allocation for extra departmental funding for Finance? If so, can the Department detail how many extra staff are included in this allocation, and at what classification?</p> <p>5. Is there funding for external staff – contractors or consultants – within the \$5 million allocation? If so, can the Department detail how many contractors or consultants, and what they are being paid?</p>	
151	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Wong	Audit of Commonwealth Land Holdings	<p>With reference to an article in The Australian published on 11 December 2015 which discussed the new deal with the states in relation to infrastructure including that Finance would be preparing a new audit of Commonwealth land holdings to consider what could be sold or used for new projects. Can the Department confirm that this audit is taking place? If yes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide an update of the work done to date on the audit? 2. When will it be completed? 3. Is it just Finance undertaking this audit – an existing team with Finance or have additional staff been brought on? Any contractors or consultants? 4. Does the audit include Defence land holdings as well? 5. Will Finance, in its audit, be providing recommendations either to the Finance Minister or to the Government in relation to whether or not any of these land holdings could be sold or used for new projects? 6. Can the Department provide a list of all Commonwealth land holdings, which includes details of the location of these land holdings, the size of the land holdings, and whether there are any properties on the land holdings? 7. Will the audit itself be made public? If not, why not? 	Written
152	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Wong	John Gorton Building	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the anticipated date of completion of the works on the John Gorton Building? 2. How much has been expended, to date, on the works on the John Gorton Building since 18 September 2013? 	Written
153	Department of Finance	2/2.3	Wong	East Block/West Block/ANZAC Park East/ANZAC Park West	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide an update on the process for selling East Block, West Block, ANZAC Park East and ANZAC Park West? 2. Finance was provided with \$4.4 million this financial year for this process, can the Department advise how much of this has been expended to date? 3. Does the Department anticipate all of the \$4.4 million to be expended this financial year? If not, why not? 	Written
154	Department of Finance	2/2.5	Wong	Whole-of-Government Procurement Arrangements	<p>Can the Department provide information on each of the initiatives or schemes that are currently operating which make up the whole-of-government procurement arrangements?</p> <p>For each of these initiatives or schemes, can the Department provide information on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When they commenced; 2. When they are set to expire; 3. Which entities and other bodies are covered by each initiative or scheme; 	Written

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. What is the level of savings each has achieved to date, and what are the estimated level of savings, year-by-year going into the future until their expiry date; 5. What costs are incurred by the Department, or any other public sector entity, through the administration of each of these initiatives or schemes; 6. How each of these initiatives or schemes are designed to generate savings; 7. How many companies or service providers are involved for each initiative or scheme; 8. What kind of feedback the Department has received from public sector entities on the operation of each of these initiatives or schemes; 9. What kind of feedback Finance has received from private companies or services providers on the operation of each of these initiatives or schemes; and 10. Are there any plans to expand or renew any of the current initiatives or schemes? 	
155	Department of Finance	2/2.5	Wong	Whole-of-Government expenditure – consultants, contractors, travel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department provide financial information on the total spend within the APS relating to consultants, for the 2010-11 to 2014-15 financial years, inclusive? 2. Can the Department provide financial information on the total spend within the APS relating to contractors, for the 2010-11 to 2014-15 financial years, inclusive? 3. Can the Department provide financial information on the total spend within the APS relating to travel, for the 2010-11 to 2014-15 financial years, inclusive? 	Written
156	Department of Finance	2/2.5	Wong	Whole-of-Government expenditure – Government advertising	Can the Department provide financial information on the total spend within the APS relating to Government advertising, for the 2010-11 to 2014-15 financial years, inclusive?	Written
157	Department of Finance	2/2.6	Wong	Act of Grace nominal interests	<p>Within Program 2.6 as shown in the 2015-16 Finance PAES on page 34, there is a line for “Act of Grace nominal interests”.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department explain for what purpose is this line of expenses for? 2. How are the amounts of funding in each financial year worked out? 3. Can the Department provide a profile of the historical actuals for these expenses going back the last five financial years (ending 2013-14)? 	Written
158	Department of Finance	2/2.6	Wong	Compensation and legal expenses	<p>Within Program 2.6 and shown in the 2015-16 Finance PAES on page 34, there is a line for “Compensation and legal expenses”.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the Department explain for what purpose is this line of expenses for? 2. What is the rationale for the \$500,000 amount per year? 3. Can the Department provide a profile of the historical actuals for these expenses going back the last five financial years (ending 2013-14)? 	Written

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159	Department of Finance	3/3.1	Wong	Australian Political Exchange Program	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is funding for the Australian Political Exchange Program indexed? If so, what rate is it indexed at? 2. Can the Department provide a profile of the historical actuals for expenses under the Australian Political Exchange Program going back the last five financial years (ending 2013-14)? 	Written
160	Department of Finance	2/2.5	Wong	Australian Government Fleet – size, profile, Australian made vs imports, ANCAP safety ratings, engine type, distribution, fuel consumption, size by entity, costs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. As at a) 30 June 2015 and b) 31 December 2015: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What was the size of the Australian Government fleet of vehicles? b) How many Australian Government entities had vehicles? c) How many vehicles were leased and managed? d) How many vehicles were owned? e) What was the total asset value? 2. As at a) 30 June 2015 and b) 31 December 2015: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How many passenger vehicles were there in the fleet? b) How many light commercial vehicles were there in the fleet? c) How many heavy commercial vehicles were there in the fleet? d) How many other (trailers and equipment) vehicles were there in the fleet? e) How many motorcycles were there in the fleet? 3. As at a) 30 June 2015 and b) 31 December 2015: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How many passenger vehicles Australian-made? b) How many passenger vehicles were imported by an Australian manufacturer? c) How many passenger vehicles were imported by a non-Australian manufacturer? 4. As at a) 30 June 2015 and b) 31 December 2015: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How many passenger vehicles were 5-star rated under the ANCAP safety ratings? b) How many passenger vehicles were 4-star rated under the ANCAP safety ratings? c) How many passenger vehicles were 3 star (or below) rated under the ANCAP safety ratings? d) How many passenger vehicles were not tested under the ANCAP safety ratings? 5. As at a) 30 June 2015 and b) 31 December 2015, how many passenger vehicles had: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) A 4-Cylinder ULP engine? b) A 6-Cylinder ULP engine? c) A Diesel engine? d) A Hybrid engine? e) An 8-Cylinder ULP engine? f) A LPG engine? g) An Electric engine? 6. As at a) 30 June 2015 and b) 31 December 2015, can the Department provide the fleet distribution between each state and territory, in both absolute numbers and percentages? 7. For the 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and the 2015-16 financial year (up to 31 December 2015) can the Department provide details for both litres consumed and the cost, for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Unleaded; 	Written

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) E10; c) LPG; and d) Diesel <p>8. As at a) 30 June 2015 and b) 31 December 2015, for each Government entity that had Australian Government fleet vehicles, can the Department provide details for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The total number of vehicles; b) The breakdown of the total number of vehicles by classification (passenger vehicles; light commercial vehicles; heavy commercial vehicles; other (trailers and equipment); and motorcycles) c) The location of where the fleet is managed; and d) Which state/territory the fleet is managed <p>9. For the overall fleet, what is the difference in costs between the leased and managed group of vehicles, and the vehicles that are owned? This cost should include the general operating and maintenance cost of the vehicle, including fuel.</p> <p>10. On average, what is the difference in unit costs between a vehicle that is leased and managed versus a vehicle that is owned? This cost should include the general operating and maintenance cost of the vehicle, including fuel.</p> <p>11. On average, what is the difference in unit costs between a vehicle that is Australian-made; imported by an Australian manufacturer; and imported by a non-Australian manufacturer?</p>	
161	Department of Finance	2/2.7	Wong	Asset Recycling Initiative	<p>1. Have any additional agreements under the National Partnership Agreement on Asset Recycling been signed with jurisdictions apart from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The agreement signed with ACT dated February 17, 2015 and b) The agreement signed with NSW dated March 5, 2015? <p>2. If yes, which jurisdictions?</p> <p>3. If yes, please provide a copy of the agreement, including the schedules.</p> <p>4. For each jurisdiction with a signed agreement, what is the “total commonwealth contribution” amount allocated for each?</p> <p>5. Have payments already been made to States or Territories under the Asset Recycling Initiative? If yes,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) to which States or Territories, b) what amount, c) when and d) in respect of what milestone? 	Written Transferred to Treasury 9/3/16
162	Department of Finance	2/2.7	Wong	Asset Recycling Fund	<p>Given that the Fund has not been established, how are the following initiatives to be funded from the ARF being funded, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New Investments; 2. Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan; 3. Asset Recycling Initiative? 	Written