

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet  
**Outcome/Program:** Outcome 1: Prime Minister and Cabinet  
**Topic:** Prime Minister's move to The Lodge

**Senator:** Senator Catryna Bilyk

**Question reference number:** 203

**Type of question:** Written

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**Question:**

1. On what date did the Prime Minister and Ms Turnbull move into The Lodge?
2. Did they bring any personal possessions with them?
3. Did the Prime Minister and Mrs Turnbull meet the cost of the removals personally or was this covered by the Department?
4. Did the Prime Minister and Mrs Turnbull move belongings from their mansion in Point Piper to The Lodge as well as from their penthouse in Kingston?
5. What was the cost to the taxpayer of moving the belongings from the mansion at Point Piper to The Lodge?
6. What was the cost of moving belongings from the Kingston penthouse to The Lodge?
7. Who did the Department contract to perform the removals?
8. Can you please advise the Austender contract number for all relevant contracts?
9. Was an insurance policy taken out to protect the Prime Minister and Mrs Turnbull's possessions during the move?
10. Was the cost of this policy met by the Department? If so, what was the cost of the policy?
11. Can you please advise the Austender contract number for all relevant contracts?
12. Can you please provide an inventory of all items insured at moved at taxpayer expense and insured at taxpayer expense?
13. Did the taxpayer incur any other costs as a result of the move? If so, can you please provide an itemised list of those costs and can the Austender contract number for all relevant contracts please be provided?
14. Have the Prime Minister and Mrs Turnbull moved any personal belongings to Kirribilli House? If so, could you please provide full details about the cost to the taxpayer, who the Department contracted with to perform the removals, any Austender contract numbers, insurance details and a full inventory of items etc?

**Answer:**

- 1 23 January 2016.

- 2 Yes
- 3 The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) met the costs of removals.
- 4 Belongings were moved from both properties.
- 5 \$430 (including GST)
- 6 \$1,980 (including GST)
- 7 Shaws removals and Allied Pickfords
- 8 Not relevant
- 9 No
- 10-11 Not relevant
- 12 PM&C does not hold an inventory of personal items.
- 13 No
- 14 No