Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Budget Estimates Hearing 26 May- 5 June 2014
Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security

Outcome/Program: Outcome 1
Topic: Media subscriptions

Senator: Ludwig

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Type of question: Written

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Question:

- 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.
- b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d) What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- 2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
- b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d) What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- 3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
- b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d) What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- 4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
- a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.
- b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d) What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?

Answer:

- 1. OIGIS does not subscribe to pay TV
- 2. OIGIS's newspaper subscription is as follows:
 - a) OIGIS has one current newspaper subscription for a hardcopy of the *Canberra Times*. The subscription is for the purpose of monitoring current issues relevant to OIGIS.
 - b) The cost from February 2014 to date (31 May 2014) is \$48.09 (GST exclusive)
 - c) Nil

- d) Not applicable
- 3. OIGIS does not subscribe to magazines
- 4. OIGIS does not purchase any subscriptions to publications. Individual items, such as legal texts, are not coded separately and cannot readily be identified. OIGIS declines to provide this data as to attempt to do so would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.