

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of National Assessments

Outcome/Program: 1

Topic: Provision of equipment – ministerial

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Question:

1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?
 - a. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification
2. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide a list of what is provided across the department of agency, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

ONA Response:

1. N/A
2. Laptops are issued to IT staff from APS6 to EL2 level for education, development and testing purposes. Laptops and mobile phones are provided, as required to Executive staff. Approximate total purchase cost \$25,000. Annual ongoing costs approximately \$12,000.