Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-2015

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome/Program:

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies.

Topic: Government Advertising

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Question:

- (1) How much has been spent on government advertising (including job ads) since Additional Estimates in February 2014?
 - a. List each item of expenditure and cost
 - b. List the approving officer for each item
 - c. Detail the outlets that were paid for the advertising
- (2) What government advertising is planned for the rest of the financial year?
 - a. List the total expected cost
 - b. List each item of expenditure and cost
 - c. List the approving officer for each item
 - d. Detail the outlets that have been or will be paid for the advertising

Answer:

- (1) Since Additional Estimates in February 2014 and up to 31 May 2014, the Office has had nil spending on government advertising (including job advertisements).
- (2) The Office has no planned government advertising for the rest of the financial year.