### **Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2015-16

# Finance Portfolio 27-28 May 2015

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance

Outcome/Program: 1/1.1

**Topic:** Breakdown of Attorney-General's Department funding and efficiencies

**Senator:** Ludwig

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### **Question:**

**Senator LUDWIG:** ... Then, in the Attorney-General's portfolio efficiencies—

**Senator Cormann:** Page? Is that page 59?

**Senator LUDWIG:** Page 59, in the efficiencies. I would like a breakdown of how we get to the \$54.2 million from a reduction in departmental funding for the A-G's Department efficiencies to a range of administrative programs.

**Senator Cormann:** Sure.

**Senator LUDWIG:** What I was trying to also understand is how much is from departmental funding and how much is from efficiencies.

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**Ms Huxtable:** We will give you the breakdown.

**Senator Cormann:** We will give you the figures on notice.

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**Senator Cormann:** Maintaining is consistently applied the same way. But we will give you the breakdown on notice.

**Senator LUDWIG:** Perhaps you could then give what the previous figures were.

**Senator Cormann:** Sure.

#### **Answer:**

A breakdown of the measure "Attorney-General's Portfolio – efficiencies" is as follows:

- Attorney-General's Department (\$24.5 million over five years from 2014-15)
- Australia New Zealand Counter Terrorism Committee (\$9.6 million over two years from 2017-18)
- International Criminal Court contribution (\$1.8 million over two years from 2017-18)

- Family Relationship Services Programme (\$8.0 million in 2018-19)
- The Grants to Australian Organisations Programme (\$1.1 million in 2018-19)
- Payments to the States under the *Family Law Act 1975* (\$0.5 million in 2018-19)
- Native Title Anthropologists Scheme (\$0.9 million over three years from 2016-17)
- Financial Legal Assistance funding (\$7.8 million over four years from 2015-16)