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Question:

Senator LUDWIG: How much did the investigation cost? Was it an internal investigation? Mr Lloyd: I would have to take that on notice.

Senator LUDWIG: I am happy for you to take that on notice.

Ms Foster: It was an internal investigation.

Senator LUDWIG: But it still would have had a cost to the APSC itself because you would have had to put officers to the work, I presume, to do the investigation.

Senator Cormann: I think we have taken this on notice, Senator.

Answer:

The hypothetical cost to the Australian Public Service Commission of the inquiry is estimated to be \$9275. This represents the salary costs of the staff member for the period of time they were undertaking the inquiry.