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Senator: Cameron

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Question:

Senator CAMERON: I will just finish on this. Secretary, can you give us details of the cost-benefit analysis that you have looked at and done in relation to the use of IT contractors in your department?

Ms Huxtable: We can take that on notice. But in terms of when we get more information about the contractors who we have used we can provide information on the assessment processes that were gone through to determine that that was an appropriate engagement.

Answer:

Any IT Contractor engaged is in line with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules in ensuring procurements provide value for money to the Commonwealth. The Department considers the financial and non-financial costs and benefits associated with the procurement. These include:

- quality of the goods and services;
- fitness for purpose of the proposal;
- the potential supplier's relevant experience and performance history; and
- flexibility of the proposal.