

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing—November 2013**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary Departments: Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Meeting Costs**

Question No: **143**

Written: **Senator Ludwig**

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 17 January 2014

- a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
- b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.
- c) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer

- a) Nil. The Department has not incurred any explicit meeting costs for the financial year to date as meetings are held within Parliament House.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) The Department plans to continue holding meetings within Parliament House and accordingly, does not plan to incur explicit meeting costs.
- d) Not applicable.