

**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: **PMO dining room**

Question No: **168**

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What changes to the dining room in the Office of the Prime Minister have been proposed since 18 September 2013? Who initiated consideration, who has been involved in the consideration, and what related costs, if any, have been expended?

Answer

DPS undertook a review of works required in all Special Suites between the 43rd and 44th Parliaments. It found the condition of the Dining Room to be unsatisfactory.

Discussions were held with representatives of the Prime Minister's Office on work required to bring the room to standard.

On this basis, the following work is proposed:

- Re-upholstering the dining room chairs;
- Replacement of light globes in the main light fitting;
- Refurbishing the walls;
- Preservation of art work;
- Cleaning of carpet;
- Replacement of curtains;
- Replacement of powerpoint covers; and
- Removal of non-standard floor lamps.

Costs will be expended for this work in January and February 2014.