

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 18-22 November 2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1 Prime Minister and Cabinet

Topic: Briefings for other parties

Senator: Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig

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Question:

1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include:
 - a) How are briefings requests commissioned?
 - b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
 - c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.
 - d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.
 - e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
2. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:
 - a) How are briefings requests commissioned?
 - b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
 - c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.
 - d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.
 - e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
 - f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?

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3. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include:

- a) How are briefings requests commissioned?
- b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
- c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.
- d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.
- e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
- f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information?

Answer:

No briefings have been provided to the Australian Greens, Independents, or parties other than Labor or the Greens (except the Government) since 18 September 2013.