Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet – All Agencies

Outcome/Program: 1.1 Prime Minister and Cabinet

Topic: Hospitality and entertainment

Senator: Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig

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Question: a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this all events including any catering and drinks costs.

b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend from 7 September 2013 to date.

Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

- c) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date.

Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

- e) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- f) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- g) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- h) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- i) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are they.

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Answer: The Department has not requested an answer to this question from the Indigenous portfolio bodies as it is not considered to be applicable to them because they do not incur hospitality costs associated with Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices.