

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Senator:** Senator Dean Smith

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**Question:**

Senator SMITH: To go backwards very briefly, we were discussing with Senator Faulkner issues around invitation lists for ceremonial events and private events. Can you take on notice a query I have—whether or not the invitation lists and attendee lists for the events hosted by the former Prime Minister, Ms Gillard, with what are called "mummy bloggers" have been published. If they have not been published, why not and would we be able to see those attendee and invitation lists.

Ms Kelly: May I just clarify the premise of your question? There was no distinction between events organised by the ceremonial and hospitality area of PM&C and private events. It was merely that events organised by the Ceremonial and Hospitality Branch of PM&C are those events for which details are available.

Senator SMITH: That distinction I might have just come to a conclusion on myself in listening to the evidence. Thank you very much for that, Ms Kelly.

**Answer:**

In accordance with usual practice, information on private events hosted by the Prime Minister or former Prime Ministers is not held by the Department and therefore cannot be provided.