

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

### **SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014**

#### **IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

#### **(SE14/285) PROGRAMME –**

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
- b. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- c. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?

*Answer:*

- a. The information is not readily available from the department's financial information system and providing it would require an unreasonable diversion of resources. The department provides magazines to people held in detention facilities and to its staff to support quality decision making.
- b. From Budget Estimates in June 2014 to 31 October 2014, the department spent \$391 471 which included \$188 327 for detention facilities.
- c. The department provides the following magazine to the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection:
  - The Economist
- d. From Budget Estimates in June 2014 to 31 October 2014, the cost was \$117