

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Senator Birmingham

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Question:

Please detail all resources committed by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, as well as known contributions from other agencies, towards the return to Australia in January 2012 of three protestors who boarded the Japanese vessel Shonan Maru No 2.

What was the Department's total expenditure on this exercise?

Answer:

The Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) did not allocate any additional resources to the return of the three anti-whaling protestors to Australia.

Questions regarding expenditure by other agencies are best answered by those agencies.

The Department responded to the incident within existing resources. No additional expenditure was required.