Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1.2 National Security and International Policy

Topic: Cyber White Paper

Senator: Senator McKenzie

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Question:

- 1. How many submissions has the Government received in response to its Cyber White Paper?
- 2. Is the Government on track to release the Cyber White Paper in the first half of 2012?
- 3. Does the Department foresee any delays in releasing the final Cyber White Paper in the first half of the year?
- 4. Has any funding been allocated to the promotion of the Cyber White Paper? How much?
- 5. Has the Department entered into any arrangements with business to promote the Cyber White Paper?
- 6. How much will the consultation process cost?
- 7. Where is the Department going for the public consultation process mentioned on the website?

Answer:

- 1. The Government received 126 submissions to the Cyber White Paper discussion paper.
- 2. Yes.
- 3. No.
- 4. No.
- 5. No.
- 6. The consultation process has cost approximately \$100,000.

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- 7. As part of the public consultation process:
 - A discussion paper was released on 14 September 2011.
 - This process was supported by a website, blog and social media activities.
 - Meetings were held to consult with industry, community, and state & territory government stakeholders.