

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-13**

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency: Australian National Audit Office**

**Outcome/Program:**

**Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment**

**Senator: Ryan**

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**Question:**

- a. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- b. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year 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 for this financial year 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 for this financial year 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 the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?

**Answer:**

- a. The amount spent on official hospitality for January YTD was \$9,239. Please see table below for details:

Date	Location	Purpose	Amount
11/7/2012	ANAO	Catering for ANAO function	292.63
15/8/2012	ANAO	Catering for Thai Delegation visit	9.7
25/9/2012	ANAO	Catering for Chinese Delegation visit	343.70
26/9/2012	ANAO	Catering for Indonesian Delegation visit	4.99
26/9/2012	Parliament House, ACT	Meal for Chinese Delegation visit	280.51
27/9/2012	ANAO	Catering for Indonesian Delegation visit	69.50
27/9/2012	ANAO	Meal for Indonesian Delegation visit	311.82
27/9/2012	The Ginger Room, ACT	Meal for Indonesian Delegation visit	570.00
28/9/2012	ANAO	Catering for Indonesian Delegation visit	84.55
28/9/2012	ANAO	Meal for Indonesian Delegation visit	87.27
28/9/2012	Banana Leaf Restaurant, ACT	Meal for Indonesian Delegation visit	77.45
9/10/2012	ANAO	Catering for Malaysian Auditor-General visit	9.17
18/10/2012	ANAO	Catering for Indonesian Delegation visit	5.44
13/11/2012	ANAO	Catering for Kenyan Delegation visit	93.50
22/11/2012	Ottoman Cuisine, ACT	Conference meeting dinner	1,860.91
29/11/2012	ANAO	Catering for ANAO function	180.73
30/11/2012	ANAO	Catering for retired staff morning tea	684.55
4/12/2012	Rydges, ACT	Social club contribution to staff end of year function	4,000.00
20/12/2012	ANAO	Catering for ANAO function	272.89
			<b>\$ 9,239.31</b>

Some of the amounts previously reported at Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-13 under this category have now been presented in the ANAO response to meeting costs.

- b. Nil. The ANAO incurred no hospitality spend for Ministers or the Parliamentary Secretary office.
- c. Amounts spent on entertainment are included in the official hospitality response for Question (a).
- d. Nil. The ANAO incurred no entertainment spend for Ministers or the Parliamentary Secretary office.
- e. In aggregate terms the ANAO has budgeted \$14,000 for official hospitality (which includes entertainment) for the 2012-13 financial year.
- f. No hospitality spend is planned for Ministers or the Parliamentary Secretary office.
- g. Amounts budgeted for entertainment are included in the official hospitality response for Question (e).
- h. No entertainment spend is planned for Ministers of the Parliamentary Secretary office.
- i. The ANAO does not expect significant changes to official hospitality or entertainment expenditure over the forward estimates. The annual spend on official hospitality can vary based on the number of international delegation visits. However, the ANAO continues to closely monitor expenditure in this area and will contain annual spend within budget expectations.