

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates 24-28 February 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1 Prime Minister and Cabinet

Topic: Provision of equipment (ministerial)

Senator: Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig

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Question:

1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?
 - a. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification
2. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide a list of what is provided across the department or agency, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

Answer:

The information provided in response to PM169 (Supplementary Budget Estimates, 18-22 November 2013) remains current, with the exception that Blackberry devices issued since that period are from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's existing fleet with no upfront costs incurred.