Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES (ADDITIONAL HEARINGS) 2013-2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome/Program:

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies.

Topic: Commissioned Reports

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Type of question: Written

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Question:

- (1) Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, how many Reports (including paid external advice) have been commissioned by the Minster, department or agency? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.
- (2) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level?
- (3) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?

Answer:

- (1) Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, the Government has not commissioned any reports in relation to the Office.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Not applicable.