

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: Media Monitoring

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Type of question: Written

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Question:

- (1) What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office from 7 September 2013 to date?
 - a. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
 - b. What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?
 - c. Itemise these expenses.
- (2) What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date?
 - a. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
 - b. What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?
 - c. Itemise these expenses.

Answer:

- (1) The Office does not provide media monitoring services to the Minister's office.
- (2) The Office does not currently have a media monitoring service.