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: Communications Staff

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Question:

- (1) For all departments and agencies, please provide in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff the following:
 - a. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.
 - b. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location
 - c. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location.
 - d. How many are graphic designers?
 - e. How many are media managers?
 - f. How many organise events?

Answer:

(1) The Office employs one (0.4 full-time equivalent) Melbourne-based ongoing Executive Level 1 staff member who undertakes a variety of media and public affairs related tasks in consultation and liaison with other office staff.

The Office employs one (0.8 full-time equivalent) Canberra-based non-ongoing Executive Level 1 staff member who undertakes a variety of media and public affairs related tasks in consultation and liaison with other office staff.

The Office did not employ any media or public affairs contractors.

The Office does not employ graphic designer, media manager or event organiser staff.