

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
Supplementary Estimates – February 2014
ANSWER TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

Program 1: Support for the Governor-General and Official Activities

Outcome 1: The performance of the Governor-General's role is facilitated through the organisation and management of official duties, management and maintenance of the official household and property and administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system.

Topic: Consultancies

Senator: Ludwig

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Type of Question: Written

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1. How many consultancies have been undertaken from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.
3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
 - a. If so, which ones and why?

Answer:

1. For the period from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to 28 February 2014, the Office has undertaken six consultancies as per the table below:

Duration	Consultant	Subject Matter	Cost (incl GST)	Method of procurement
21/11/2013 – 6 months	Guida Moseley Brown Architects	Architectural services	\$38,959	Select RFQ
19/11/2013 - ongoing	Rider Levett Bucknall Pty Ltd	Quantity surveying	\$2,811	Select RFQ
17/12/2013 – 6 months	Robertson & Hindmarsh Pty Ltd	Architectural services	\$50,828	Select RFQ
14/01/2014 - ongoing	Tanner Kibble Denton Architects	Architectural & heritage services	\$25,924	Direct
13/02/2014 – 3 months	Integralift	Lift installation advice	\$11,000	Select RFQ
28/02/2014 - ongoing	Taylor Brammer Landscape Architects	Landscape architectural services	\$10,626	Direct
		Total	\$140,148	

2. Consultancies have not been specifically planned, although a number of consultancies will be undertaken as and when required. They do not form part of the Annual Procurement Plan (APP), because they are not considered significant procurement activity.
3. No