

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates 2013-14, February 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of National Assessments

Outcome/Program: 1

Topic: Meeting costs

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Question:

1. What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.
3. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

ONA Response:

1. The ONA does not record expenditure in a way that would readily identify meeting costs other than those already covered by Official Hospitality reporting. From the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to 28 February 2014, ONA has spent \$9,154.29 on Official Hospitality.
2. Nil
3. The ONA does not record expenditure in a way that would readily identify meeting costs other than those already covered by Official Hospitality. The ONA budget for 2013/14 Financial Year for Official Hospitality is \$50,000.
4. Nil