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1.	OOSGG	Wong	Joint press conferences of Prime Ministers and Governors-General	Senator WONG: Do you recall any previous Governor-General participating in a joint press conference with the Prime Minister? Mr Brady: I would have to check. Senator WONG: Thank you.	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 64	11/4/14	15/5/14
2.	OOSGG	Bernardi	Ms Bryce as Governor-General designate	Mr Brady: She availed herself of that. PM&C I think provide an EA to the Governor-General designate. CHAIR: That was consistent with both the most recent appointment and the previous one, with Ms Bryce and General Cosgrove? Mr Brady: I did not know Ms Bryce as Governor-General designate except towards the end. CHAIR: Perhaps you could have a look at that for me and advise me. One final question, and it sounds a bit pernicky, but: what class of travel do they travel at as the designate? ... CHAIR: And how have previous Governor-General designates travelled? Mr Brady: I do not know but the entitlement is to first class travel. CHAIR: Perhaps you could let me know about Ms Bryce in that respect.	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 67	11/4/14	15/5/14
3.	OOSGG	McKenzie	Staff turnover	Mr Fraser: All staff are employed by the official secretary and the office is the Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General, so there is no delineation within—no Government House figures. That is the figure for the entire agency; there are no other turnover figures. Senator McKENZIE: So, you do not monitor various aspects of the work of the office? Mr Fraser: Are you referring to the household, for example? Household staff?	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 67	11/4/14	15/5/14

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				<p>Senator McKENZIE: Yes.</p> <p>Mr Fraser: I could certainly answer that question for you on notice. But I can tell you intuitively that the turnover rate is low across the office, for various normal natural-attrition reasons.</p>			
4.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	Royal Commission – Cabinet documents	<p>Senator ABETZ: And as I understand it—and I will correct the record if I am wrong—the Commonwealth complied with that request. Did we seek an extension or not?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: No. Production continued over a number of days following the 31st. But, yes, the department has had written advice from the Australian Government Solicitor that the documents have been provided to the royal commission, but we have not communicated directly with the royal commission itself.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Is that advice available from the Australian Government Solicitor—that they have been communicated to the royal commission? I take it it is just an email—</p> <p>Ms Kelly: I would have to take that on notice. That may well be the subject of—</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Yes, let us take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: I am happy for you to take it on notice. I do not want to breach any confidentiality.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 71	14/5/14	26/6/14
5.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	Royal Commission – Cabinet documents	<p>Senator FAULKNER: When you say it was communicated by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, how is that done? I assume that it is done in writing, obviously. How is it done and whom is it done to?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: I would have to make some inquiries in relation to that. There were a number of meetings over a period of days in relation to it, so I would have to take on notice the exact point of communication. It was an iterative process.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 73	14/5/14	26/6/14
6.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	Royal Commission – Cabinet documents	<p>LUDWIG: Is there a document which sets out the terms on which the documents have left your security? The commissioner has them—as I think your evidence agrees—and then there is a document which is communicated back to you, saying that the commissioner has agreed to only use it on those terms. What I am trying to establish is the process and which document you rely on. We will get to the next part of that, which is what the standing of that document is. At the point of you handing the documents over, you have no longer got control of the documents. You would agree with that—no</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 75	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>physical control?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: Yes, Senator. The documents were provided pursuant to a summons and subject to conditions that were clearly set out. There was an accompanying letter with the return to the summons from the Australian Government Solicitor which set the conditions out very clearly.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: And is that available to the committee?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: I will take that on notice. That would be a matter for the Attorney-General's Department and AGS.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Why do you include the Attorney-General's Department?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: As the co-ordinating agency for—</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: But you said the cabinet documents were from PM&C to the Government Solicitor.</p> <p>Ms Kelly: Perhaps that would be a matter for AGS. We would have to take that on notice to determine the status of that document.</p>			
7.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	Royal Commission – Cabinet documents	<p>Senator LUDWIG: What I was trying to establish briefly was what role PM&C played in ensuring the security of all cabinet documents, including those held within departments—the Department of the Environment, the Department of the Attorney-General, the Department of Industry, and PM&C. You have indicated how you dealt with those within PM&C. Have you communicated to the Attorney-General's Department and the Department of the Environment how they should likewise deal with those cabinet documents?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: We have communicated with them both directly but also through the Australian Government Solicitor—the very clear conditions under which cabinet material is to be provided.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: So you are not aware of how each separate department has then responded to AGS?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: It is my understanding from AGS that each of those departments has produced their cabinet material to AGS and AGS has produced it to the royal commission pursuant to the same conditions as were agreed by the department at the Prime Minister's instructions.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: Could you take that part on notice to confirm? You say you are aware of it. It is a qualification.</p> <p>Ms Kelly: It is just that I cannot recall the exact document.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 77	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>Senator LUDWIG: I accept that. I am not trying to be tricky here. You put a qualification there. Perhaps during the course of proceedings you can assure me whether or not that qualification can be removed.</p> <p>Ms Kelly: I will certainly seek some advice about the mechanism used.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: And whether or not those documents from the Attorney-General's Department, which are cabinet documents, have followed a similar course to the PM&C documents—that is, that they have gone to the Australian Government Solicitor and then to the royal commission.</p> <p>Ms Kelly: Yes, Senator.</p>			
8.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Bernardi	Royal Commission – compliance	<p>CHAIR: For my personal information, Ms Kelly, would you be able to briefly detail, given the powers of the royal commission, what are the penalties attached for refusing to comply with an order of the royal commission?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: Chair, I only know that it is a criminal offence to fail to comply with a summons from the royal commission. I am not sure what the maximum penalty is, but we can certainly find that information for you.</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Who would go to jail? The Prime Minister or the secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, or both?</p> <p>CHAIR: Or the representing minister in the Senate.</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Yes.</p> <p>CHAIR: But there are criminal penalties attached?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: That is my understanding.</p> <p>CHAIR: You can take that on notice. I am just interested for my own information. Senator Faulkner.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 77	14/5/14	26/6/14
9.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	Advice on claim of public interest immunity	<p>Senator LUDWIG: In terms of the claim of public interest immunity, have you sought—and I am not asking for the content—advice from the Attorney-General or the Attorney-General's Department or the Australian Government Solicitor, through the Attorney-General's Department, as I think your earlier evidence suggests is the line of communication, about how that claim would be exercised?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: Yes.</p> <p>Senator LUDWIG: And when was that? I am happy for you to take it on notice.</p> <p>Ms Kelly: It would have been in December or January, Senator. I am not</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 82	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				sure of the exact date.			
10.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Faulkner	Previous decisions in relation to release of documents	<p>Senator FAULKNER: Yes. Ms Kelly, as you looked at precedents in the preparation of the advice and talked about that, can you confirm, in relation to the Clarke/Haneef matter, that the decisions in relation to documents there were made by the Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and not the Prime Minister of the day.</p> <p>Ms Kelly: I would have to take that on notice. It was a long time before my period in the department, so we can take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator FAULKNER: I can assure you that that is the case. And, of course, if we are—</p> <p>Senator Abetz: That would require us to reveal the decisions of a previous government.</p> <p>Senator FAULKNER: The decisions were made by the then Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and not the Prime Minister, but of course in this instance they are being made by the Prime Minister and not by the now Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 83	14/5/14	26/6/14
11.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludlam	Renewable Energy Target Review	<p>Senator LUDLAM: What expertise on energy markets does Mr Warburton bring to bear? Is there something on his CV from his past that has not been publicly disclosed that qualifies him for this position?</p> <p>Mr Archer: The government has appointed a panel with a mix of skills, and certainly Mr Warburton is a very experienced businessperson.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: What experience has he got in electricity markets particularly? It is a very specific area of expertise.</p> <p>Mr Archer: I am not entirely aware of what specific expertise Mr Warburton may have in electricity sector markets.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Is it possible that he has none?</p> <p>Mr Archer: I would not care to speculate. Clearly he has a lot of experience from the business perspective and he has undertaken roles in the past, for example in relation to the arrangements that were established for assistance provided to emissions-intensive trade-exposed entities under former climate change policies.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: I am familiar with that. This question was very specifically going to the operation of electricity markets.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 85	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>.....</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Yes, but we are moving away from what the question was. You are not certain—you have not been able to clarify it—but could you take on notice if there is something that you want to bring to light, specifically around energy markets or electricity markets or reform in that area..</p> <p>Mr Archer: Certainly.</p>			
12.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludlam	Renewable Energy Target Review	<p>Senator LUDLAM: It is past that. This is the Federal Police. It is not coming completely from left field, Senator Boswell. Has that caused you to reconsider whether Mr Warburton is an appropriate person to conduct this review—or are you completely comfortable, now that you have discovered these matters as a result of seeing them on television?</p> <p>Mr Archer: It is not really a matter of whether I am completely comfortable or not. But the government's intention is that the review proceed as announced.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: That is fair enough. I guess that is more of a political question, isn't it, Senator Abetz?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I do not know the answer to the actual issue. But one can be the director of a company in circumstances where somebody else acts in an inappropriate manner of which you are not aware, and that malfeasance therefore should not be visited upon others who may have been completely and utterly unaware of it.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Senator Abetz, what did you ask the department to do, once these disclosures came to light, to assure yourself that that that was the case—if anything?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I will take that question on notice. It was not up to me to assure myself but—</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: I accept your clarification, Senator Abetz. It was actually KPMG that was undertaking the inquiry into Mr Warburton. It was an earlier matter on allegations around Saddam Hussein and others. I will leave that there for the time being. Maybe, without editorialising, Senator Abetz, could you indicate what process the government—whoever was ultimately responsible—took to make yourselves completely comfortable that Mr Warburton is an appropriate person to lead this review once those</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 86 & 87	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				allegations came to light? The officer here said it was not disclosed during the selection process; you discovered it later in the media. So there must have been some follow-up, if not by Mr Archer then by somebody else. Senator Abetz: I will take that on notice.			
13.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludlam	Renewable Energy Target Review	Senator LUDLAM: I will put a couple on notice, if I may. What conflicts of interest were declared to the department in relation to shareholdings or income from other sources, including lobbying, consultancy or directorship work during your review process? Mr Hazlehurst: We will take that on notice. Senator LUDLAM: Has the department taken any steps to resolve or otherwise deal with any declared interests? The media has picked up on some. I was wondering whether the department picked up on any? Mr Hazlehurst: We will take that on notice, too.	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 87 & 88	14/5/14	26/6/14
14.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludlam	Renewable Energy Target Review	Senator LUDLAM: How many candidates did you assess for the position of chair? Mr Hazlehurst: In the normal way of these things, a range of names were provided to the government. Senator LUDLAM: How big was the range? Senator MILNE: By whom? Mr Hazlehurst: I do not know. I will take that on notice. Senator LUDLAM: Who provided the list of candidates initially? Mr Hazlehurst: Again, in the normal way of these things, the relevant department. In this case, it was the Prime Minister's department in consultation with the industry department and the environment department that came up with a list of names, and those were provided to the Prime Minister and relevant ministers. Senator LUDLAM: For how many of those did you actually conduct some kind of due diligence or assessment? If you do not want to call it an interview, that is fine. How many people did you actively assess for the position of chair? Mr Hazlehurst: The due diligence process is a process that is undertaken once the government has made an indicative decision about the proposed appointees. That is then a process of checking for conflicts of interest et cetera. Senator LUDLAM: As far as the position of chair goes, was Mr Warburton	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 89 & 90	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>the only person that you considered and conducted this test for? Or were there are a few?</p> <p>Mr Hazlehurst: I think you are perhaps misunderstanding what I am saying. The process of checking for conflicts of interest, and other issues to do with the suitability of a person that relate to things like criminal convictions and things like that, only occurs in respect of the shortlist of people who are actually being considered by the government for appointment.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Maybe that is what I am missing. How big was your shortlist for consideration for the position of chair? Was it a shortlist of one, or were there more people on it?</p> <p>Mr Hazlehurst: I think I will have to take that question on notice.</p>			
15.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Renewable Energy Target Review	<p>Senator WONG: No, I am not actually asking about the terms. I am not asking about how much, I am asking about the legal basis of this engagement. The Commonwealth procurement rules set out a range of categories, and I am just trying to ascertain which one is being used for the purposes of this engagement.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Well, remuneration will be consistent with the government's policy on review panels.</p> <p>Senator WONG: No, I am not asking about terms. Was there a limited tender?</p> <p>Ms Cross: Senator, we will check for you, but I think it was more an appropriate process than a procurement. What I can say is that the process is consistent with the way similar panels have been appointed in the past.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Perhaps after the break you can come back and advise me.</p> <p>Ms Cross: I do not think it was a procurement, but we will check that for you.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: These usually are not by procurement.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Well, that is not actually correct.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Yes, it is.</p> <p>Senator WONG: It is not. Perhaps after the break you can come back and advise me about the basis of engagement. I am happy for you to come back on it; that is fine. We will be back after dinner.</p> <p>Mr Hazlehurst: Sure, we will do that.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 91	14/5/14	26/6/14

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16.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Mr Alistair Furnival	<p>Senator WONG: No longer. Are you able, as the Prime Minister's representative, to tell me on which day the Prime Minister personally approved the appointment of Mr Alastair Furnival?</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I appreciate that. Can you tell me on which date or dates did the Government Staffing Committee consider Mr Furnival's appointment?</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: I will have to take that on notice as well.</p> <p>Senator WONG: We will be back after the break; I am sure the Prime Minister's office is watching. Can you tell me, on the occasion or occasions that the Government Staffing Committee considered Mr Furnival's appointment, whether the Prime Minister's chief of staff, or Mr Nutt, or Mr Loughnane, were in attendance at those meetings?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I will take all that on notice.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 92	14/5/14	26/6/14
17.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Government Staffing Committee	<p>Senator WONG: After the committee makes a recommendation, how is that communicated to the Prime Minister?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WONG: You do not know?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: No, I do not know. Ultimately, as the Prime Minister's answer says, the buck stops with him in relation to that.</p> <p>Senator WONG: That is not an answer to the question I just asked.</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I do not know how it is communicated, whether it is verbally or in writing, but I will take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator WONG: How is the Prime Minister's decision then communicated to the relevant minister?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Usually by a representative of the Government Staff Committee. I will correct the record if I am wrong on this, but I would imagine it is usually by the Prime Minister's Chief of Staff.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Would that be done in writing or verbally?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Once again, I will have to take it on notice. But when things are finalised I understand the process is in writing.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Is that from the Prime Minister or from the Prime Minister's Chief of Staff?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: It is from the Chief of Staff or somebody else from the Government Staff Committee. Otherwise, as you might imagine, the Prime</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 92 & 92	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				Minister would be signing a lot of letters. Senator WONG: Are you able to tell us on what date the Prime Minister's Chief of Staff wrote to Senator Nash approving Mr Furnival's appointment? Senator Abetz: No, I cannot. I will have to take that on notice.			
18.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Mr Alistair Furnival	Senator WONG: Was the Prime Minister aware of Mr Furnival's history? Senator Abetz: That I do not know. I will take that on notice.	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 95	14/5/14	26/6/14
19.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Statement of Standards for Ministerial Staff	Senator WONG: We have had some evidence today, and more generally, about arrangements been put in place supposedly to deal with conflicts of interest. Was PM&C asked to provide actually advice at any point in relation to any such arrangements applying to Mr Furnival? Ms Kelly: No. Senator WONG: Senator Abetz, when were those arrangements first developed? Senator Abetz: I would have to take that on notice. Senator WONG: This has been a topic of significant focus in the Senate and the House of Representatives and on the public record, Senator. Are you telling me you can't tell us when the so-called conflict of interest arrangements, which the Prime Minister himself has referred to, were put in place?	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 95	14/5/14	26/6/14
20.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Abetz	Mr Alistair Furnival	Senator WONG: On the basis of that answer, therefore, it is possible he commenced work and was working for a period of time without any of the arrangements to which the Prime Minister referred actually being in place. Senator Abetz: If we want to go down that track can I just remind you of the ministerial standards that required all ministers to divest themselves of all private interests and shares, and for the full 18 months Senator Bob Carr was Minister for Foreign Affairs he retained his shareholding in his lobbying company—in direct breach. We also had a situation of Mr Epstein becoming the chief of staff to Prime Minister Rudd, in his first iteration, where Mr Epstein's partner was a director of GRA—and whilst he was chief of staff that company lobbied the Prime Minister's office in relation to resource matters. So let's just be careful before we pretend to be holier than thou in exploring this matter. Senator WONG: I am asking questions and just asking for answers, Senator. What I said to you was—	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 96 & 97	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>Senator Abetz: Yes, and I have said I will take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Was it possible, therefore, given you cannot tell us when the so-called arrangements were put in place, that Mr Furnival in fact commenced employment without any such arrangements being put in place?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I understand that not to be the case but I will take it on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator WONG:...Perhaps after the break you could come back with some clarity around what the arrangements were and when they were actually put in place. I also want to know how they were given effect. For example, did the Prime Minister's chief of staff's letter to Senator Nash set out how these conflicts should be managed or was that system of conflict management set out elsewhere?</p> <p>...</p> <p>p.97</p> <p>Senator WONG: Minister, what have you been able to find out from the Prime Minister's office over the break?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Nothing that will assist thus far, but all the matters have been taken on notice.</p>			
21.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Mr Alistair Furnival	<p>Senator WONG: What were the requirements on this staffer that the Prime Minister was referencing in question time today?</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: That I don't know, other than what the Statement of Standards for Ministerial Staff sets out. That was made known to the staff member—</p> <p>Senator WONG: When?</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: I will take that, specifically, on notice, but the letter agreeing to the minister's recommendation for appointment would have set out all those things.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 99	14/5/14	26/6/14
22.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Mr Alistair Furnival	<p>Senator WONG: The Prime Minister then goes on to say: ... the gentleman in question was required to divest himself of an interest ... My understanding is that he was dilatory in doing that. By when was Mr Furnival required to divest himself?</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: That detail I don't know. I will take that on notice, but I would suggest to you that you can actually ask these questions of the</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 99	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>minister who is actually responsible for—</p> <p>Senator WONG: No. The Prime Minister is responsible for the statement of standards. The Prime Minister is responsible for the ministerial statement of standards. It is the Prime Minister's statement of standards for ministerial staff that we are discussing. I am asking you—</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: But like it happened under your—</p> <p>Senator WONG: I haven't finished.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: You interrupted me.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I let you go on at length prior to the break. I am asking you questions about what the Prime Minister has said about the enforcement of his standards. Your inability to answer the question really throws into doubt the veracity of the Prime Minister's statement today. Surely the Prime Minister must have informed himself about these very matters for him to have told the House of Representatives that today. So why are you unable to answer very simple questions about what the arrangements were, when the requirements were put in place, when he required to divest himself of interest and what the Prime Minister knew and when?</p> <p>Senator BERNARDI: The minister has already answered those questions by taking them on notice.</p>			
23.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Faulkner and Wong	Mr Alistair Furnival	<p>Senator FAULKNER: It is now true also, isn't it, that you can acknowledge that the other note at the end of this statement of standards for ministerial staff says:</p> <p>Any sanctions imposed under this Statement of Standards will be determined after consultation with the relevant Minister by the Chief of Staff of the Prime Minister, acting on advice from the Special Minister of State and the Government Staffing Committee.</p> <p>Can you confirm that that is the process, and that that is in the code?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Yes.</p> <p>Senator FAULKNER: Did that happen? In the case of—</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I will have to take that on notice. I don't know whether that occurred or not.</p> <p>Senator FAULKNER: It could not be possible that it did not happen, could it?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Anything is possible in this world.</p> <p>Senator FAULKNER: Yes.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 103	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>Senator Abetz: But staff report to the minister for whom they perform work. And that is ultimately what the Prime Minister has delegated, and that is not a surprising revelation.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Given that—</p> <p>Senator Abetz: In the event, as I understand it, Mr Furnival has resigned. One assumes that it therefore may not have taken place, but I will take that on notice.</p>			
24.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Mr Alistair Furnival	<p>Senator WONG: We may come back to it. Just to confirm, Minister, there is nothing in the statement of standards that actually reflects the delegation of the enforcement of the code to ministers, is there?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Look, I would have to refresh myself as to the statement—</p> <p>Senator WONG: You have taken on notice the questions that I asked prior to the break—is that right?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: If I can just have another look at this—</p> <p>Senator WONG: Perhaps one of the many staff listening—do you have it in front of you?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: The implementation of the code, I would suggest to you, clearly refers to the setting and implementation of standards across government. It is a different concept to the day-to-day monitoring in each minister's office. That is what I was trying to say before, and I think that puts it extremely succinctly.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Okay. We talked prior to the break about what was disclosed to the government staffing committee, and you cannot answer any of those questions. But I want to ask now about the statement of interests. This is the statement of interests which staff are required to fill out—correct?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Yes.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Can you tell me: did Mr Furnival complete such a statement?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I am advised that he did, but I will need to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WONG: And was that statement provided to the staffing committee or to the Prime Minister's office?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Look, I will have to take that on notice. It clearly is provided to the minister; whether it goes to the Prime Minister's office or</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 103 & 104	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>not I will need to check up.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Did the statement of interests to disclose the relevant shareholding and directorship?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Once again, I will have to take that on notice. I have not seen the document. One assumes so, and everybody knew of his involvement.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Was there any change to the statement of interests over the period of his employment?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I will take that on notice as well.</p> <p>Senator WONG: As I said, the Prime Minister has made a range of assertions in the House of Representatives today. In order to make those, he must have satisfied himself as to a number of the questions I am asking you. You are his representative here in the Senate; if you are not able to answer them, it really does beg the question as to whether the Prime Minister in fact did satisfy himself of these details before he told the House of Representatives that action had been taken.</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Once again, I will have to take that on notice. As to what happened at question time today, believe it or not, I was not watching House of Representatives question time—that is not one of my habits, I confess. What occurred in question time today I cannot assist you with, other than to suggest that chances are the record will speak for itself.</p>			
25.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Mr Alistair Furnival	<p>Senator WONG: I will conclude—well, I won't be concluding. I will just try to get to a break. Minister, you mentioned, I think in answer to an earlier question, that you 'imagined'—I think that was the phrase—that some of the requirements around compliance with the standards would have been set out in the letter agreeing to the staff member's appointment. You recall that?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Yes.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Is it the case that the letter to Senator Nash approving Mr Furnival's appointment referred to action that he had to take in order to comply with the standards?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: I will take that on notice, but what I can tell you is that the letter would have said that Mr Furnival, along with all other staff members, would need to abide by the Statement of Standards for Ministerial Staff.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Did the letter clarify what that meant in relation to someone who was a director and shareholder of a lobbying company which</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 104 & 105	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>had clients in the junk food industry?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Some might describe it as the confectionary industry—</p> <p>Senator WONG: The confectionary industry.</p> <p>Senator Abetz: The statement of standards speaks for itself and—</p> <p>Senator WONG: I am not asking that, Senator.</p> <p>Senator Abetz: whether that needs amplification in any particular circumstance is undoubtedly a decision that is made. But I will take it on notice to see if there were any extras.</p> <p>Senator WONG: I will leave you with this point, which will be my last point. The Prime Minister told the House of Representatives today that there was a requirement to divest. At any point was the minister or Mr Furnival advised by the Government Staffing Committee or the Prime Minister's office that he was required to divest?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: Specifically, I would have to take that on notice but ask Senator Nash. But when the letter was received reference was made to the Statement of Standards for Ministerial Staff. And given the fact that it was well-known what his job was, what his directorship was et cetera, I would imagine that that is exactly what occurred prior to his appointment—'If you want this gig in government you will have to divest yourself according to the Statement of Standards for Ministerial Staff'.</p> <p>Senator FAULKNER: I understand that, Minister, but does that mean that everyone knew? You have said that a couple of times. I accept your evidence there that it was obviously very common knowledge—fair enough. But does that mean that nobody checked that there had been divestment? Everyone knew—you have said that a couple of times; fair enough—but does that mean no-one checked that the divestment had taken place? It does appear so, doesn't it?</p> <p>Senator Abetz: No. There is confirmation by a public statement that he divested himself of the chairmanship of the company. The next step was the divestment of shareholdings. Once again, I will have to take the detail of that on notice. But it stands to reason that accounting and legal advice may well need to be sought for that to occur over a period of time and, as a result, the undertaking was given that the company would not involve itself on any lobbying on behalf of the listed companies and interests for which the company had previously lobbied in the health portfolio—or indeed, as I</p>			

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				understand it, lobby any other ministerial office in relation to matters health. Senator FAULKNER: I won't delay this, but if you could take on notice whether anyone did check whether this divestment had taken place. If so, who and when? If not, why not? Thank you.			
26.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Lobbyist Register - Mr Alistair Furnival	Senator WONG: When did you become aware that Mr Furnival was a co-owner of SIM? Mr McMahon: I would have to take that on notice. Senator WONG: What led to you contact them? Mr McMahon: Media speculation. Senator WONG: Was there any engagement with the Prime Minister's office? Mr McMahon: No. Senator WONG: Perhaps on notice you can provide us all of those details that you have just sketched. Also, I would like to know what action the secretary has taken to ensure the registration details, including ownership of Australian Public Affairs, have been accurately reported, as is required under the code. Mr McMahon: Yes.	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 109 & 110	14/5/14	26/6/14
27.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Lodgement of Senate Estimates Questions on Notice	Senator WONG: On notice, I would like the dates on which draft answers to every question were submitted to the Prime Minister's office.	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 110	14/5/14	26/6/14
28.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Termination of secretaries	Senator WONG: Clause 4 of the caretaker convention says that in relation to such appointments, only those which it is essential to fill are considered and preferably on an acting or short-term basis unless a minimum or fixed term is prescribed. Then there is a discussion about consultation. Maybe you would like to take that on notice and reflect. I am trying to clarify how I mesh your evidence about compliance with the caretaker conventions with the statutory process around a termination of secretaries which was commenced prior to the government was being sworn in, while the conventions were still in force. Can you also take on notice confirmation that the consultation with the Public Service Commissioner did not occur until the day before the termination was advised to the secretaries.	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 111	14/5/14	26/6/14
29.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Bernardi	L20 and G20	Dr Smith: The previous government provided \$15,000 to the ACTU to attend the L20 meeting.	FPA, Monday 24 February	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>CHAIR: Did the Prime Minister's office at the time request that this money be made available?</p> <p>Dr Smith: I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>CHAIR: Do you remember which Prime Minister's office it was—who was the Prime Minister at the time?</p> <p>Dr Smith: I would have to check that.</p> <p>CHAIR: Has PM&C provided grants to support union delegations in the past in this manner?</p> <p>Dr Smith: I am not aware that we have, but I will also have to take that on notice.</p> <p>CHAIR: Has the entire \$50,000 grant—which is the contract I happen to have here—been spent?</p> <p>Dr Smith: I am not sure of that.</p> <p>CHAIR: What steps, then, would PM&C take to reclaim any money that was not spent?</p> <p>Dr Smith: I am not aware of what processes we would put in train.</p> <p>Ms Kelly: We will have to take on notice the acquittal process attached to the payment of that money, and whether or not that has been completed.</p> <p>CHAIR: Are you able to tell me who the ACTU sent overseas using this \$50,000 of taxpayer money?</p> <p>Dr Smith: I would have to take that on notice, as well.</p> <p>CHAIR: Were any steps taken to vet who was sent by the ACTU?</p> <p>Dr Smith: Again, I would have to take that on notice. I am not aware of the details.</p> <p>CHAIR: I will put the rest on notice as well.</p>	2014, page 112		
30.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Faulkner	Attendance at Cabinet meetings	<p>Ms Kelly: We do not release details of attendance at cabinet meetings.</p> <p>Senator WONG: That is not true. Whether staff attend has been asked and answered previously.</p> <p>Ms Kelly: Then I will take that on notice, Senator.</p> <p>Senator WONG: Were you just making that up?</p> <p>Ms Kelly: It was my understanding, but I will take it on notice and clarify that.</p> <p>Senator FAULKNER: Were you able to assist us, Minister?</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: We will take it on notice to ascertain what the protocol is about the disclosure.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 112	14/5/14	26/6/14

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31.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	Attendance at the Commission on the Status of Women	<p>Senator MOORE: We got the media release on Friday that indicated that three people were being funded by government to attend the CEDAW meeting. That is the first public detail we have had about that. I do not have the time to go into the kinds of questions I want to ask about that, but I would like to get a note on the full expected make-up of the delegation.</p> <p>Ms Steele: I think you are slightly mistaken there. We are funding two non-government delegates to go to CSW.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: Plus the minister. The media release mentioned three names—the minister and two. I follow it very closely, Ms Steele, as you know. I would like to get some information about who exactly is going, with the number of organisations that are self-funding that are part of the Australian delegation.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 113 & 114	14/5/14	26/6/14
32.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	UN- attendance	<p>Senator MOORE: The report through that process of attending—what report have we provided to the UN for our attendance? When will that be public? I am particularly interested, Minister—it is something I have been interested in for a number of years—in what the formal report back to parliament is when this meeting is over.</p> <p>Senator Cash: I recall you raised that at the last estimates as well.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: Yes.</p> <p>Senator Cash: It is something we have been discussing—exactly that process.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: The issues are how that will be done, what the report back will be, how we will know what has gone on and the budget for this whole exercise—our Commission on the Status of Women attendance. We want to know how much it is going to cost, what the process will be and what publications will come out of that.</p> <p>Ms Steele: Do you want me to take those all on notice?</p> <p>Senator MOORE: Yes, I do, because of the time frames</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 114	14/5/14	26/6/14
33.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	Office for Women - moving costs	<p>Senator MOORE: My last question is about the answer you gave me about the costs of your move. You responded that the full cost of your move from your previous accommodation to now was \$1,093.40.</p> <p>Ms Steele: That is correct.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: Could I get that broken down in terms of the costs of moving technology and setting up new technology, as well as signage and those areas. A figure of \$1,000 sounds to me more like taxi fares than</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 116	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				anything else, going from where you were to where you ended up. I would really like to see the detail of that \$1,093. Thank you.			
34.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	Office for Women funding allocation	<p>Senator McKENZIE: That is good. How much funding does the Office for Women currently receive, and what was the 2013-14 allocation?</p> <p>Ms McDevitt: We will have to take that one on notice.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: Really? I think that is a pretty straightforward question for budget estimates.</p> <p>Ms McDevitt: I think the final settlement of movements of funding as part of the machinery of government changes has taken quite some time, so I would rather get that accurate and get that back to you as soon as possible.</p> <p>Ms Cross: That is if we include all the staffing and corporate overheads rather than just the program funding.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: The whole allocation would be great. Could you then, as part of that, give me a breakdown of departmental costs and administrative costs.</p> <p>Ms McDevitt: Yes, we can do that.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: Excellent. Is there anybody in the room who could give that before we break tonight?</p> <p>Ms Cross: As Ms McDevitt said, I do not think the detail of the final allocation of departmental costs has been agreed. Particularly around the corporate overheads, it is still being worked through, I understand.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: How long do we think that will take to be worked through given that it happened a while ago?</p> <p>Ms Cross: Very soon, I hope.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 116 & 117	14/5/14	26/6/14
35.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	Women's leadership development strategy	<p>Senator MOORE: My view is always that there should be a proactive action within the parliament and actually have roundtables and action with parliamentarians as opposed to having them outside the process and shooting in later. You gave me an answer on notice to the women's leadership development strategy about the funding of that. Can I double-check that the only funding that the Office of Women holds is in that program?</p> <p>Ms Steele: That is correct.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: So that is the only funding you can give out. The data you gave me was dated as of 4 December. Can I get an update on notice of any expenditure that has happened since then?</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 116	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				Ms Steele: Yes, Senator.			
36.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie and Moore	Office for Women – grants	<p>Senator McKENZIE: Thank you. That would be appreciated. Could you please give me an approximation of the number of individuals and organisations who received funding from the Office for Women through the financial year 2013-14. I would particularly like to have an understanding of the geographic spread of those recipients.</p> <p>Ms Steele: We can do that, but we do not tend to give grants to individuals. For example, we have funded the YWCA to provide some leadership training for young women. That is a national sort of thing.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: That is fine, but just a geographic spread.</p> <p>Ms Steele: Yes, we can do that.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: Would you like to take that on notice?</p> <p>Ms Steele: Can we take it on notice so I can get it right.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: No worries.</p> <p>Ms Steele: Thank you.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: While you are doing that, could we also have an understanding of organisations—or individuals—that receive regular grants—that is, we are continuing to fund their programs for more than two years in a row. I will put the rest on notice.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: Ms Steele, in all of the grants that would be involved in the answer you gave me about the funds—</p> <p>Ms Steele: I am sorry; I did not quite catch that.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: In all the grants that Senator McKenzie was referring to, there would be nothing that is not included in that answer?</p> <p>Ms Steele: That is right. Only if it has been updated.</p> <p>Ms Cross: We will essentially—</p> <p>Senator MOORE: We have got everything there?</p> <p>[Unidentified Speaker]: Yes.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: The only problem with that is that the last dot point says: Other expenditure, including costs associated with one-off grants, events and publications, of \$210,000 including: My question was—</p> <p>Ms Cross: I think with these we did not go down below into the very small dollar amounts. We gave you an illustrative set of smaller grants. If you</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 117	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				wanted them completely itemised, we could, but it is getting to quite a low level of detail. Senator MOORE: If it is there, it would be good for Senator McKenzie and me to see exactly where the money has gone. Ms Cross: Yes.			
37.	Australian Public Service Commission	Lundy	New arrangements for APS hiring arrangements	Senator LUNDY: When you became gatekeeper, what information did you supply to agencies and departments about the process that they had to go through to advertise? Mr Sedgwick: We supplied some guidelines, and we supplied a template— Senator LUNDY: Could you provide those to the committee, please? Mr Sedgwick: Certainly.	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 125	11/4/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
38.	Australian Public Service Commission	Lundy	Vacancies	Senator LUNDY: How many vacancies have been approved by the commissioner as critical since the minister's announcement? Mr Sedgwick: I can get that data for you. Senator LUNDY: How many have been rejected? Mr Sedgwick: I can get that data for you too. Senator LUNDY: Is that more than have been approved or less? Mr Sedgwick: No, it is less than have been approved. Senator LUNDY: So you have approved more than you have rejected? Mr Sedgwick: Yes. Senator LUNDY: Can you give me a ballpark figure, seeing I have to wait for those answers? Mr Livermore: There are different categories. About 50 SES ongoing roles and 430 non-SES ongoing roles have been approved. The biggest category is the casuals—intermittent and irregular, non-ongoings—which are to support those activities where there is a standing workforce to provide surge capacity. Senator LUNDY: Please take it on notice to provide me with a full list of ones that have been approved and rejected and the description of the position, not the name. Mr Sedgwick: We can do it in aggregate numbers; we are quite happy to do it in terms of aggregate numbers. Senator LUNDY: Just to double check: is this approval for advertising the position? Mr Sedgwick: Yes, typically it is advertising, and secondly—	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 125 & 126	11/4/14	15/5/14

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				<p>Senator LUNDY: Do you then go back and follow up to find out if someone was subsequently employed and by what method or from where?</p> <p>Mr Sedgwick: We are monitoring quite carefully movements in and out of the service. We are tracking the total number of public servants, the number who leave by natural attrition, the number who leave by other means and the number of new hires across the Public Service.</p> <p>Senator LUNDY: While you are at it, you can provide the committee all of those figures as well.</p> <p>Mr Sedgwick: Yes. The number should be available for December relatively soon. Actually, it will be available by the time of the return date.</p> <p>Senator LUNDY: Okay. Could we also put in that data that Mr Livermore is going to provide to the department or agency that provided the advertisement.</p>			
39.	Australian Public Service Commission	Lundy	Voluntary redundancies	<p>Senator LUNDY: It is unverified. How many voluntary redundancies are being offered at the moment or have been offered to staff who are over the age of 50?</p> <p>Mr Sedgwick: I doubt that we have that data, to be honest. We can give you a sense, as we did last time, of the numbers of VRs that we understand to be extant, but I doubt very much that we can differentiate by age.</p> <p>Senator LUNDY: Could you take it on notice and provide what information you can broken down by age.</p> <p>Senator Abetz: It might be easier to put it on notice to each agency and department. They might have that data more readily available.</p> <p>Mr Sedgwick: That is probably right, actually.</p> <p>Senator LUNDY: How many section 37 redundancies have been approved?</p> <p>Mr Sedgwick: I would have to get that data for you.</p>	FPA, Monday 24 February 2014, page 126	11/4/14	15/5/14

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40.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Seselja	Staff reductions and redundancies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are your current and forward plans for staff reductions, including redundancies? 2. How many of these reductions and redundancies relate to efficiency dividends applied over the last three years? 3. How many of these reductions and redundancies relate to decisions made in the 2013 Budget, or earlier, to cease or terminate programs? 4. If redundancies have been offered, when was the decision made to offer these redundancies? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
41.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Smith	Costs of government publications	<p>With reference to the document 2020 Summit - Initial Report, released in April 2008:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can a breakdown be provided of all costs associated with the production, online publication, printing and distribution of the document? 2. What costs did the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet meet in relation to the document? 3. What costs did the Australian Labor Party meet in relation to the document? 4. How many copies were printed? <p>With reference to the document 2020 Summit – Final Report, released in May 2008:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can a breakdown be provided of all costs associated with the production, online publication, printing and distribution of the document? 2. What costs did the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet meet in relation to the document? 3. What costs did the Australia Labor Party meet in relation to the document? 4. How many copies were printed? <p>With reference to the document 2020 Summit – Government Response, released in April 2009:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can a breakdown be provided of all costs associated with the production, online publication, printing and distribution of the document? 2. What costs did the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>meet in relation to the document?</p> <p>3. What costs did the Australia Labor Party meet in relation to the document?</p> <p>4. How many copies were printed?</p> <p>With reference to the document One Year Progress Report, released in November 2008:</p> <p>1. Can a breakdown be provided of all costs associated with the production, online publication, printing and distribution of the document?</p> <p>2. What costs did the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet meet in relation to the document?</p> <p>3. What costs did the Australia Labor Party meet in relation to the document?</p> <p>4. How many copies were printed?</p> <p>With reference to the document Mid-Term progress Report, released in June 2009:</p> <p>1. Can a breakdown be provided of all costs associated with the production, online publication, printing and distribution of the document?</p> <p>2. What costs did the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet meet in relation to the document?</p> <p>3. What costs did the Australia Labor Party meet in relation to the document?</p> <p>4. How many copies were printed?</p>			
42.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Bernardi	Travel	<p>1. How many Departmental Secretaries, Agency Heads or Statutory Office holders travelled at a class higher than Business Class for any overseas travel in 2012/13? Please provide details of who travelled, the reason for the travel, details of each trip undertaken at a fare higher than business class and the total cost of the travel.</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
43.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Bernardi	Departmental Liaison Officers	How many Departmental Liaison Officers were located in each Minister's office as at 1 January 2008, 1 January 2010, 1 January 2012 and 1 September 2013?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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44.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Bernardi	The Lodge	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When the then Member for Griffith became Prime Minister the second time around in 2013 did he move into an official establishment even though an election was imminent? 2. How long did Mr Rudd officially reside in the Lodge in 2013? 3. What was the cost to move Mr Rudd and his family into the Lodge in 2013? 4. It was reported recently that: "Documents released under a FOI request show the most costly move was the Rudd family's departure from The Lodge in Canberra in 2010, which cost taxpayers \$18,187 in removalist fees and \$5299 in cleaning services." Could you explain why cleaning services were necessary, particularly since the Lodge was due for imminent renovations? 5. Since 2007, how many times has PM&C engaged removalists to assist in moving a Prime Minister into or out of an official establishment? And what were the fees for cleaning services on each occasion? 6. Did PM&C receive any special requirements from the then Member for Griffith regarding the transportation of his possessions during his moves to and from official establishments? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
45.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	Mr Barry O'Sullivan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I refer to Question on Notice 55 to the department concerning now-Senator Mr Barry O'Sullivan. You have answered that "Mr Barry O'Sullivan is not currently engaged by the Department". Was Mr O'Sullivan involved in any formal or informal manner in the development of the Agriculture White Paper before being sworn in by the Australian Senate as a Senator? 2. Did Mr O'Sullivan meet with the Prime Minister or the Minister before being sworn in as a Senator for Queensland to discuss the Agriculture White Paper? 3. Did Mr O'Sullivan provide or was provided with any documentation from the department concerning the Agriculture White paper? 4. Did Mr O'Sullivan have any contact with the department at all, concerning the White Paper – including, but not limited to, phone calls or emails, concerning the white paper and any travel or meetings Mr O'Sullivan held before being appointed as a 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				Queensland Senator? 5. Did the department provide any travel support to Mr O'Sullivan, including but not limited to the provision of travel briefs through the office of the Minister or directly to Mr O'Sullivan; the arranging meetings for Mr O'Sullivan; or any other form of support?			
46.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	PMO dining room	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At the previous estimates round it was established that The Lodge is under repair and that the Prime Minister's Office dining room is being used in place of the official residence dining room. Is that still the case? 2. There are a number of official residence staff attached to The Lodge. How many staff are currently employed to work at The Lodge. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. How many staff? b. What are the levels of their classification? c. What is the current status of their employment? d. What employment contracts, agreements or awards cover these staff? e. What is the total annual staff bill for The Lodge? 3. Whilst The Lodge is under repair what are the staff employed to work at The Lodge doing? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Have they been reassigned, if so, where? 4. How many staff are engaged to service the Prime Minister's Office dining room in its capacity as the official residence dining room? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. How many staff? b. What are the levels of their classification? c. What is the current status of their employment? d. Please breakdown each of the tasks or category of tasks that each staff member employed for the PMO Dining Room perform e. What employment contracts, agreements or awards cover these staff? f. What is the total cost for these staff? g. When were those staff engaged? h. By whom are those staff engaged, the PMO or PM&C? i. What were the costs associated with establishing those staff? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Where are food and drinks prepared for the purpose of official functions held in the PMO dining room acting in place of the official residence? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What contracts were put in place for the provision of the food and beverages for official functions? b. How does this differ to arrangements or contracts put in place for The Lodge? c. What were the costs associated with establishing those contracts? 6. What works were required to be done to the Prime Minister's office kitchen (or other location) to bring the facility to a standard appropriate for official functions? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Were new ovens, cooking, cleaning or other equipment required to be installed in the Prime Minister's office or elsewhere in Parliament House to prepare, serve and clean from official functions held in the PMO Dining Room? 			
47.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	Christmas decorations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What Christmas decorations were provided to the PMO or official residences for the 2013 Christmas period by the department? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Please detail those decorations, including tinsel, baubles and associated items b. Please detail the cost of those decorations 2. Who requested or initiated that those decorations be provided to the PMO or official residences? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. In what form did this decision take? b. Who was involved? c. How does this differ to previous years? 3. Were there additional decorations supplemented from outside of the department to the PMO or official residences? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. If so, from where? b. How were they procured? c. What costs were associated with these items? 4. Who paid for the 'Christmas giving tree' that was in the PMO? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Who paid for it originally? b. Did the Prime Minister reimburse the original buyer for the 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>cost of the tree?</p> <p>c. On what date did that occur?</p> <p>5. The Department received a FOI request for the costs of the PMO and Lodge Christmas decorations on 5 December, reference number 2013/149. I won't identify the individual by name as is common practice. This was originally deemed to be a practical refusal until it was amended on 24 December. On 12 February the department responded to the applicant releasing the information requested.</p> <p>a. What consultation did the department conduct with the Prime Minister's office on this request?</p> <p>b. Under what provisions of the act did this consultation occur?</p> <p>6. In a communication with the applicant on 15 January the Department advised that the FOI request was yet to be brought to conclusion because consultation with the PMO had not yet been resolved to the PMO's satisfaction.</p> <p>a. With whom was the department consulting on this matter?</p> <p>b. What specifics were being consulted upon?</p> <p>c. How could the discussion or procurement of information about Christmas decoration be in contest?</p> <p>d. Under what provision of the FOI Act did the department decide to not conclude a request for information until a third party (in this case the PMO) was satisfied?</p> <p>e. What section of the Act addresses the 'satisfaction' a ministerial office?</p> <p>f. The Office of the Information Commissioner has previously held that such consultation is an illegitimate basis to delay a response. On what legal authority was the Department acting in this case?</p> <p>7. The only individual who has responded to any FOI request to date to the Prime Minister has been his Chief of Staff. Was the department waiting on the advice or direction of the Prime Minister's Chief of Staff before responding to the applicant in the matter of 2013/149?</p> <p>8. In response to Question on Notice 191 to PM&C you've answered that there are two designated officers as decision markers within the</p>			

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				Prime Minister's office. a. Other than the Chief of Staff, what is the position title of the other designated officer?			
48.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Ludwig	Deregulation units	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide advice sent to departments (from any source) regarding the establishment of Deregulation Units 2. What costs are estimated for each department to implement Deregulation Units 3. If costs were not estimated for each department setting up a deregulation unit, why not? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
49.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	58 th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women	<p>Would the Office for Women provide the Committee with details relating to Australia's attendance at the 58th session of the Commission on the Status of Women from 10 to 21 March: specifically,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who is attending as part of the Australian delegation? 2. What are the organisations that are self-funding and who are they sending? 3. What report, if any, have we provided to the UN in advance of our attendance? 4. When will that be public? Will the Committee be provided with a copy? 5. What is the process and timeline for reporting back to Parliament after the event? 6. Will any other publication come out of that event? If so, will it be publicly available? 7. How will we know what has gone on at that event? 8. What is the budget for the Australian delegation to that event and what does it include? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
50.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	Women's Leadership Development Strategy	Would the Office for Women provide an update on the Women's Leadership Development Strategy and any expenditure occurring after 4 December 2013 (the last date provided in Tabled Answers to Question on Notice from Supplementary Estimates 2013)?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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51.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	Location of the Indigenous Leadership Training for Women	Does the Office for Women have a timeframe anticipated, under the Select Council on Women's Issues, for the resolution of the question as to where the Indigenous Leadership Training for Women is to be situated?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
52.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	Relocation of the Office for Women	Would the office for Women provide a breakdown of the previously reported total cost of \$1,093.40 to cover moving to their current location (as provided as a Tabled Answer to Questions on Notice for Supplementary Estimates)? What was the cost of moving technology? Of setting up new technology? Of signage? Of any other identifiable cost centre?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
53.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	Grant programme	Would the Office for Women provide details of the entire grant program administered by the office and all recipients under the 2013-2014 round, as discussed in Additional Estimates with Ms Cross (at the conclusion of that office's appearance before the Committee)?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
54.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Government Staffing Committee	With reference to questions on notice 22, 31 and 41 confirming that the Federal Director of the Liberal Party, Mr Brian Loughnane, has attended up to a quarter of the meetings of the Government Staffing Committee: Which meetings has Mr Loughnane attended? Why does the Federal Director of the Liberal Party attend meetings convened to consider the appointment of ministerial staff? Was Mr Loughnane consulted on the termination and appointment of Departmental Secretaries at the beginning of the Prime Minister's term? On what other matters is Mr Loughnane consulted?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
55.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Job losses	Did the Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C), Dr Watt, advise PM&C staff on 14 February 2014 that PM&C could not afford to maintain its present staffing levels and that job losses were inevitable? Can a copy of the Secretary's remarks be provided? How many jobs will be lost as a result of already announced efficiencies?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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56.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Statement of Ministerial Staff Standards	With reference to the answer to question on notice 81 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round which advises PM&C provided no advice to the Prime Minister or his office on the Prime Minister's Statement of Ministerial Staff Standards: Why was PM&C was not consulted? Who drafted the standards? Who was consulted on the draft standards? Have the standards, and their enforcement, been reviewed in light of the conflict of interest matter related to the office of the Assistant Minister for Health? Have any sanctions been applied under the standards?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
57.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Machinery of Government changes	With reference to answer to question on notice 118 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round which advises that as at 31 October 2013 machinery of government changes in this portfolio had cost \$536,000: Are the machinery changes complete? What is the final/current cost? Are officers who have transferred from FaCHSIA being paid less than their PMC counterparts due to a Determination signed by the Minister for Employment, Senator Abetz? Are officers who have transferred from agencies other than FAHCSIA also subject to a pay differential?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
58.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Termination of secretaries	With reference to the answer to question on notice 85 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round which advises that 'procedural fairness' was observed in relation to the termination of secretaries: How were the terminated secretaries afforded procedural fairness? What was the aggregate cost of entitlements paid out under Part 5 of the relevant Determination made by the Remuneration Tribunal?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
59.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	National Security Adviser	Who made the decision to abolish the position of National Security Adviser? When was Dr McCarthy informed? On what date was the position abolished? Why was the abolition of the position not announced?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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60.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Ministerial order of precedence	Can the order of precedence be provided?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
61.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Governor-General Designate	With reference to assistance to the Governor-General Designate, can details be provided of the arrangements and budgeted and actual costs of the following: (a) interim office and personal secretary (b) interim transport arrangements (c) re-location arrangements (d) business-class travel to London to call on Her Majesty The Queen (e) clothing and fitting-out allowance and (f) entertainment allowance?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
62.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Governor-General Designate's travel to London	What costs were met in association with General Cosgrove's call on Her Majesty The Queen in February 2014, including (a) air transport (b) land transport (c) accommodation (d) hospitality (e) travel allowances (f) other costs? Can a copy of the itinerary and meeting program be provided?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
63.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Cabinet meetings	Can an update of the table in the answer to question on notice 16 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round please be provided?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
64.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Attendance of staff at Cabinet meetings	Does the department maintain a record of ministers, officials and staff who attend each Cabinet and Cabinet committee meeting? Is the Department aware of this statement by the then Opposition Leader published on 31 July 2010 in connection with the attendance of staff at Cabinet meetings under Prime Minister Gillard: "Now that she's established a precedent of talking about what was said in Cabinet and who was there, I think she should come clean and tell us exactly who was at national security committee meetings." Is it usual practice under this government for the Prime Minister's chief of staff to attend Cabinet meetings?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
65.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Cabinet Secretary	When did the secondment of Mr Jamie Fox as Acting Cabinet Secretary cease? With reference to evidence from Senator Abetz at the Supplementary Budget	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				Estimates hearing that there would be a 'most robust' process for filling the permanent position of Cabinet Secretary: Can that process, including the details of job advertisements published online and in national newspapers, be provided?			
66.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Governance Committee of Cabinet	Does the Governance Committee of Cabinet provide advice and oversight of governance and integrity issues? What role did the Committee play in relation to breaches of ministerial and ministerial staff standards by the Assistant Minister for Health and her former chief of staff?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
67.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	First 100 days document	With reference to the document 'The First 100 Days of Government' launched by the Prime Minister on 15 December 2013: Why was the document not authorised under section 328 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918? Was the amount of \$11,247.35 met by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet the total sum of taxpayer funds expended in connection with the document? Why were 370 copies of this taxpayer-funded document provided to the Office of the Prime Minister? How were the 370 copies provided to the Office of the Prime Minister then distributed? Were any copies of the document provided to the Liberal Party of Australia? Why did the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet keep 45 copies of the document? Who took the photographs published in the document?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
68.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	White Paper taskforces	Can details of each White Paper taskforce in the department be provided, including: (a) date of formation (b) staffing, including numbers and classifications of staff In relation to each White Paper, can the following information be provided: (a) proposed timeline for the publication of issues papers, Green Papers and White Papers (b) budget and cost to date	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				(c) details of any external contracts, including costs			
69.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Overseas ministerial travel	Can an update of the table in the answer to question on notice 105 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round please be provided?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
70.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Travel approval	Has the Prime Minister approved any travel by officials in this Department valued at over \$20,000? If so, please provide details. Has the Prime Minister been consulted by Ministers on proposed travel by officials valued at more than \$50,000? If so, please provide details. Has the Prime Minister directed departmental secretaries and agency heads to approve all other travel by departmental officials? If so, has the Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet approved all travel by officials in this department since the Prime Minister issued his directive? Please explain how the process is administered. Have any exemptions from the travel approval arrangements been granted? If so, can details be provided, by agency.	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
71.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Cabinet processes – declarations of interests	Can the process for declaring conflicts of interest in connection with Cabinet deliberations be outlined? Are Ministers required to take into account family interests when determining whether a conflict should be declared? Was the Department asked for advice before the Prime Minister adopted ministerial standards which permit Minister to maintain direct shareholdings? Does the Department maintain a record of shareholdings of Cabinet Ministers drawn from declarations to the Prime Minister, public declarations to the Parliament, or other sources? How many declarations have been made in relation to actual, or potential, conflicts of interest since 18 September 2013? Are ministerial staff attending Cabinet and Cabinet committee meetings required to make declarations? Are officials attending Cabinet meetings required to make declarations?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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72.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Australia in the Asia Century	Why did the Secretary dissolve the Australia in the Asia Century Taskforce on 16 September which was two days before the Government was formed? Was the decision informed by discussions with the Prime Minister-elect? When was the COAG senior officials working group disbanded? Who made this decision? Were other jurisdictions consulted? What is the status of the Australia in the Asia Century Strategic Advisory Board? If it has been dissolved, who made the decision, why and when? What is the status of the Australia in the Asia Century Deputy Secretaries Steering Committee? If it has been dissolved, who made the decision, why and when? What is the status of the APS-wide strategy? If abandoned, who made the decision, why and when?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
73.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	FOI – Incoming Government Briefs	With reference to the answer to question on notice 111 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round relating to PM&C's communications with other agencies on the handling of FOI requests seeking Incoming Government Briefs: Why does the Department, including the Secretary, not document communications related to the handling of FOI requests? Can details of all documented communications be provided?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
74.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Ministerial correspondence	Can the Department provide the current guide on the preparation of ministerial correspondence in the PM&C portfolio?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
75.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	FOI – requests for extensions	How many FOI requests has (a) the Department and (b) the Office of the Prime Minister received since 18 September 2013? Of these, how many extensions of time in relation to FOI processing have been sought from the Australian Information Commissioner since 18 September 2013 by (a) the Department and (b) the Office of the Prime Minister? How many have been granted?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
76.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Official functions	Can guest lists and menus for all official functions held since the answer to question on notice 62 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round was prepared?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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77.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Prime Minister's Dinner for Australia-China Senior Business Leaders	Who determined the guest list for the "Dinner for Australia-China Senior Business Leaders" held at Kirribilli House on 29 November 2013? Why were 18 of the 19 attendees at the function men? Why were no women business leaders present?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
78.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Stationery for the Office of the Prime Minister	What is the total sum spent on pre-printed stationery for the Office of the Prime Minister since 18 September 2013?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
79.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Expenditure on Office of the Prime Minister	Why did the Department not answer the question about the allocated budget for the operation of the Office of the Prime Minister for the remainder of 2013-14 asked at the Supplementary Budget Estimates round? What is the allocated budget for the operation of the Office of the Prime Minister for the remainder of 2013-14? What amount has been expended in association with the operation of the Office of the Prime Minister since 18 September 2013?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
80.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Prime Minister's accommodation	What is the status of the lease on temporary accommodation for the Prime Minister taken out by the Department at a cost of \$156,428? If the lease has been varied or terminated, please provide details. What is the total cost of this arrangement to date? With reference to the answer to question on notice 150 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round: (a) Why did the Department need legal advice on the publication of this contract? (b) Is \$110 per night the total cost associated with the Prime Minister's current accommodation?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
81.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Deregulation	With reference to the answer to question on notice 119 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round: Why could the Office of Deregulation not answer a question about the number of regulations made and repealed since 18 September 2013? How many regulations have been made and repealed since 18 September 2013?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>When will the Government hold itself accountable to its \$1 billion a year target and conduct an audit to measure progress?</p> <p>When will SES remuneration be linked to reductions in regulation? How will remuneration be linked?</p> <p>Has this department's Ministerial Advisory Committee on deregulation been established yet? If so, please provide details including membership and terms of reference. If not, why not, and when will it be established?</p> <p>Has a PM&C-specific deregulation unit been established yet? If so, please provide details of its staffing and resourcing. If not, why not, and when will it be established?</p> <p>Has a specific regulatory performance target been set for the Secretary, Dr Watt? If not, why not, and when will it be established?</p> <p>Have charter letters been issued to the chairs and CEOs of regulatory agencies? If not, why not?</p> <p>Has the Productivity Commission been asked to identify and describe the framework by which the performance of regulatory agencies will be established? If not, why not?</p> <p>Has the policy to replace mandatory regulatory reporting requirements with random audits been implemented? If not, why not?</p> <p>Has a whole of government risk management framework for Commonwealth regulators been developed? If not, why not?</p>			
82.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Government Staffing Committee records	<p>With reference to the answer to question on notice 21 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round:</p> <p>Why are recommendations from the Government Staffing Committee to the Prime Minister on the appointment of ministerial staff, including chiefs of staff, not in writing?</p> <p>How are recommendations made and recorded?</p> <p>What other records associated with the appointment of ministerial staff are not maintained?</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
83.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Overseas travel – correction of the record	<p>With reference to evidence by the Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Ms Kelly, at the Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing on 18 November 2013 that 27 ministerial overseas visits had been undertaken between 18 September and 18 November 2013,</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				including visits by the Prime Minister: Why does the answer to question on notice 33 show that 30 visits were undertaken between 18 September and 18 November 2013, including four visits by the Prime Minister? Why was corrected evidence not provided to the committee before 12 February 2014?			
84.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	5 October 2013 function	What was the cost of transporting guests to and from North Sydney Oval to the function at Kirribilli House on 5 October 2013? Who authorised the transport arrangements? Has the department met the costs of any other transport to events hosted by the Prime Minister since 5 October 2013?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
85.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Record of conversation about FOI matter	Why did the Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Ms Kelly, not create a file note of her conversation with the Secretary about an FOI request concerning an Incoming Government Brief, as advised in the answer to question on notice 49 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round? Did the Secretary create a file note? If not, why not? What other unrecorded advice was provided to the Secretary in relation to this matter?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
86.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Guest of Government visits	Can details of the guest of government visits, including costs, listed in the answer to question on notice 72 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round now be provided? Can the details of all guest of government visits since 18 November 2013, including costs, be provided?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
87.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Senate Order on public interest immunity claims	With reference to the answer to question on notice 80 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round: Why does the Department not document communications with the Office of the Prime Minister related to the making of public interest immunity claims? Can details of all documented communications be provided?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
88.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Termination of Secretaries	With reference to the answer to question on notice 85 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round: Why has the Department refused to answer questions about steps taken to terminate departmental secretaries, including, inconsistent with longstanding	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				practice, the date/s on which advice is provided to the Prime Minister and his office? Will the Department answer all parts of question on notice 85 asked in November 2013?			
89.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Appointment of the Governor-General	With reference to the answer to question on notice 116 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round: Why has the Department not documented all communications with the Office of the Prime Minister related to the appointment of the Governor-General? Can details of all documented communications be provided?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
90.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Northern Australia White Paper	With reference to the Northern Australia White Paper: (a) How will the Government consult with communities in northern Australia? (b) Who was consulted on the draft terms of reference? What role did Mr Entsch and Senator Macdonald play? (c) Noting omissions from the terms of reference, how will the White Paper address issues related to (a) climate change (b) sustainability and (c) the natural environment? (d) Noting the Prime Minister's commitment to look at tax concessions in northern Australia as part of the White Paper process, what work has been undertaken to date to assess the implications of Section 51(ii) of the Constitution?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
91.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	Multicultural affairs	Did PM&C provide any advice to the Prime Minister in connection with the movement of responsibility for multicultural affairs from the Department of Immigration to the Department of Social Services? Did PM&C brief the Prime Minister on the Building Multicultural Communities Program? If so, on what date/s? Was PM&C advised of the decision to cut funding from the Building Multicultural Communities Program? If so, when and how? Did PM&C have any role in the decision to cut funding from the Building Multicultural Communities Program? What role did the Prime Minister play in the decision to cut funding from the Building Multicultural Communities Program?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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92.	Australian Public Service Commission	Bernardi	Sick leave in the Public Service	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What work has been completed by the Commission to identify the costs involved with sick leave in the public service, in particular the cost of lost productivity? If work has been carried out, please detail these costs. 2. Is there an estimate of the total productivity lost cost of sick leave in the public service? 3. Which agencies have the lowest productivity cost associated with sick leave? 4. Which agencies have the highest productivity cost associated with sick leave? 5. Can you provide a table listing the top ten and bottom ten agencies by sick leave dollar value and proportional productivity lost? 6. What work has been completed by the Commission comparing the level of sick leave taken in the public service to the private sector? Please detail the results of work, if conducted. 	Written	11/4/14	15/5/14
93.	Australia Public Service Commission	Lundy	voluntary redundancies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many voluntary redundancies have been granted in the APS since 18 September 2013? 2. What has been the cost of those voluntary redundancies since 18 September 2013? 3. What provision has been made for voluntary redundancies forecast in the forward estimates? 4. How many redundancies under Section 37 of the Public Service Act 1999 have been approved since 18 September 2013? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What has been the cost of those redundancies? 5. How many voluntary redundancies are planned or have been offered to staff aged over fifty years since 18 September 2013? 6. How many voluntary redundancies have been taken by staff over 50 since 18 September 2013? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What is the cost of those redundancies? 7. What provision has been made for voluntary redundancies to staff over 50 in the forward estimates? 8. Has the Australian Public Service Commission considered using 	Written	11/4/14	15/5/14

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				<p>expenditure on voluntary redundancies to instead fund salary, allowing the retention of staff within the APS?</p> <p>9. In the Australian Public Service Commission's view will cutting staff reduce services to the public?</p> <p>10. What processes are being put in place to ensure that all staff offered voluntary redundancies are treated fairly?</p> <p>11. Were there irregularities in the dismissal of Mr Andrew Metcalfe, Mr Don Russell and Mr Blair Comley? If so what were they? And does this in the Australian Public Service Commission's view constitute fair treatment.</p> <p>12. What was the justification for removing staff with experience, expertise and corporate knowledge?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. In the view of the Australian Public Service Commission will this be detrimental to the APS.</p> <p>13. On 22 November last year Senator Abetz addressed the CPSU governing council, where he said that:</p> <p>"It is important, and we owe it to union members that there is a professional relationship between Government and the leadership of the union movement. I look forward to the use of telephones and emails and meetings, rather than megaphones. Predetermined positions broadcast publically, lock people in, which makes for headlines and production of adrenalin, but I'm not sure it's conducive for harmonious workplaces. With bargaining for APS agreements due to commence shortly, the Government is well advanced in its consideration of the workplace relations policy settings that will apply to this bargaining round. In the coming weeks, I and the Australian Public Service Commission will communicate details around the new policy and any relevant procedures."</p> <p>When will the Australian Public Service Commission be given the ability to fulfil the government's promise? When will the government's bargaining position be released to staff?</p>			

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				<p>14. How many agreements is the Australian Public Service Commission responsible for?</p> <p>a. Is the APSC comfortable that they will be able to re-negotiate this number of agreements by June 2014?</p> <p>b. Will there be enough time for a fair and robust process?</p> <p>c. What timeframe would the APSC normally take to undertake this volume of re-negotiations?</p> <p>15. How long public sector employees have to wait for formal notice of the government's position on their pay and conditions?</p> <p>16. What is the view of the Australian Public Service Commission on bargaining with individual departments instead of sector wide, and what resources does this use?</p> <p>17. What is the cost difference in undertaking bargaining through individual departments instead of sector wide? Has a sector wide negotiation been considered?</p> <p>18. Is the view of the Australian Public Service Commission that public sector employees should have their wages frozen or cut in real terms?</p> <p>19. In the view of the Australian Public Service Commission, should public servants see their wages depreciate in real terms over the next 3 years, despite increased productivity, significantly less employees, increased workloads, and an environment of job cuts?</p>			

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94.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Justice target - development	<p>Senator McLUCAS: Of course you would be doing that. A lot of that is data collection, I imagine, but the next step after data collection is prioritising the development of a target. Is that work being undertaken?</p> <p>Senator Scullion: The vast of majority of the matters, everybody would concede, fall under the criminal code of the various state and territory jurisdictions. This is why the matter is through COAG.</p> <p>Senator McLUCAS: That is right. That is why we established it that way.</p> <p>Senator Scullion: Indeed. If we could move independently in any way on that we would be, but this is clearly a COAG agenda. As we have indicated, we would like to see this as part of the COAG agenda and that those negotiations will ensure that it has a level of priority on the COAG agenda. Beyond that, we will certainly report back on those elements of the COAG discussions at the next set of estimates. Or, if you would like to place a question on notice, I can give you an update on exactly where we are going in terms of the COAG agenda.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 5	14/5/14	26/6/14
95.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Early childhood development - evaluation	<p>Senator SIEWERT: What about early childhood development?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: The evaluation is currently in train.</p> <p>Senator SIEWERT: Does that include talking to communities and service deliveries?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: I do not have the detail of what that involves, but we could provide that.</p> <p>Senator SIEWERT: Could you perhaps take that on notice?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: Yes.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 9 & 10	14/5/14	26/6/14
96.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Peris	Aboriginal Benefits Account	<p>Senator PERIS: Could you advise what the balance was of the Aboriginal Benefits Account, as of 30 June, for the last three years?</p> <p>Mr Stacey: When you say 'balance,' if you are meaning how much is in the account, currently it is about \$450 million. It fluctuates. If you want the balance over the last three years, then I will have to take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator PERIS: What is the estimated project balance at 30 June 2014 and 30 June 2015?</p> <p>Mr Stacey: I think it would be better if I took that on notice because it is quite specific.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 10	14/5/14	26/6/14
97.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Peris	Aboriginal Benefits Account - applications	<p>Senator PERIS: How many applications to the ABA have been processed and approved during the term of the previous government?</p> <p>Mr Stacey: Again, it is a very specific question. I just do not have that</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, Page 13	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				information to hand. Senator Scullion: That will have to be taken on notice.			
98.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	NAAJA supplementary funding	Senator SIEWERT: What is the state of that funding—how much do NAAJA have now, and till when do they have a funding guarantee? Mr Harwood: The funding under Stronger Futures is guaranteed till the end of Stronger Futures, which I believe is 2022. But, as for exactly how much funding they get under that supplementary program, I might have to take that on notice	28 February 2014 p. 12	14/5/14	26/6/14
99.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Seselja	National Congress of Australia's First Peoples - SES salaries	Senator SESELJA: How many of those staff are employed on SES salaries? Ms Carroll: I am not sure if we know that, but we could certainly— Mr Stacey: At least one—the chief executive, I believe. But, beyond that, again I would have to check. Senator SESELJA: So you will get back to me on that? Mr Stacey: Yes.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, Page 13	14/5/14	26/6/14
100.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Seselja	National Congress of Australia's First Peoples - elections	Senator SESELJA: How many individual members does this congress have? Ms Carroll: There are 7,500 individual members and 172 member organisations. Senator SESELJA: Do we know what the cost of membership is? Mr Stacey: It is free. Ms Doherty: Yes, the membership is free. Senator SESELJA: How many members voted in the last elections of the congress? Ms Doherty: We understand approximately 800. Senator SESELJA: What was the cost of conducting those elections? Ms Doherty: I do not think that is available to us, but I can check and get back to you. Senator SESELJA: No problem.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, Page 13	14/5/14	26/6/14
101.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	MJD Foundation – Mr Dillon	Senator McKENZIE: The CEO of the Indigenous Land Corporation, Mr Dillon, is a friend, former colleague and co-author of the book with the chairman of the foundation, is that correct? Ms Carroll: I would not want to comment on that. We would need to check about author of a book et cetera.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 14	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				Senator McKENZIE: If you could get back to me on that. 26/6/14			
102.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	MJD Foundation	<p>Senator McKENZIE: According to the foundation's annual report, it has more than \$8 million in assets, including \$6 million in the bank, which we canvassed earlier. How much interest has the foundation earned from the previous \$6 million grant, and what did it spend the interest on?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: We would need to take that detail on notice.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: And could you also go to the proportion of that that was spent on salaries?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: I will find out what is available to us, or on the public record.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: How much did the foundation propose to spend on salaries from the \$10 million grant in 2013?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: We do not have with us the details of what was in the application, so we can take it on notice. But we would not normally disclose those specific details without going back to the organisation to check, just as we have mentioned before around some of the other things. So we will endeavour to get what is possible.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 14 & 15	14/5/14	26/6/14
103.	Department of Health	Moore	National Partnership Agreements - reviews	<p>Senator MOORE: How many of the NPAs was Health engaged in?</p> <p>Ms Palmer: At that time?</p> <p>Senator MOORE: Yes.</p> <p>Ms Palmer: We have the national partnership on Closing the Gap and Indigenous Health Outcomes and the Indigenous Early Childhood Development NPA.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: So you are only involved in two.</p> <p>Ms Palmer: Sorry, how many NPAs in total is Health involved in?</p> <p>Senator MOORE: No, NPAs that were under review. Take that on notice.</p> <p>Ms Palmer: I will have to pass that to PM&C, I think.</p> <p>Senator MOORE: How many NPAs were Health involved in, how many NPAs were under review? Were there pre-existing review processes going on and was there a decision to pause all review activity around NPAs?</p> <p>Ms Palmer: We will take that on notice.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 18	To be answer ed by Health.	Refer to Health QON index no. 352
104.	Department of Health	Siewert	National Partnership Agreements -	Senator SIEWERT: In terms of the state processes, it sounds from what you are saying that different states are at different levels. Is it possible for you to tell us—you need to take it on notice; I appreciate that—which of the	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 20	To be answer ed by	

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			states	states has a forum that is about the agreement that is about to expire and where the other states are up to and what processes are in place, and also where you know there has been a formal commitment from the states to an amount of money that is being spent. Ms Palmer: We can do that.		Health. Refer to Health QON index no. 314	
105.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	MJD Funding	Ms Edwards: Senator, if I may, I have a list we have gathered together of the funding to the MJD Foundation; it may not be entirely exhaustive. Senator MOORE: If we can get that that would be very useful, but I am also interested whether there is any other form of funding for MJD. The point being, and Senator Peris was raising that, that the MJD relationship with their clients is much wider than just service provision for therapeutic activities. Going back to the discussion we had earlier around the \$500,000, the \$500,000 is for therapeutic activities, as we pointed out, and the foundation is much wider than that. Ms Edwards: Senator, we can provide details on all the funding to the foundation on notice, if you prefer. Senator MOORE: Good.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 22	14/5/14	26/6/14
106.	Department of Health	Siewert	Government response to Community Affairs Committee report	Senator SIEWERT: That is great, and I look forward to some even more positive news in May. Do you remember two or three years ago the Community Affairs committee did an inquiry into PBS arrangements under section 100 of the National Health Act? ... Senator SIEWERT: It is gripping! There has not been a formal government response to that report. Is there likely to be one? You may need to take that on notice. Ms Palmer: Yes, I think we will have to take that on notice. Senator SIEWERT: It is not big headline stuff, but it is important for health outcomes in Aboriginal communities, and we have not had a response. I am not having a go. I am just asking if you could look at whether one is imminent, because I do want to follow it up. Ms Palmer: Certainly. Senator SIEWERT: Thank you.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 25	To be answered by Health. Refer to Health QON index no. 139	

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107.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	Koori Job Ready program	Senator McKENZIE: My apologies. I have a question for ILC around the acquisition of the Koori Job Ready program. Can you confirm that the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence Board approved, around June 2013, a \$50,000 per annum pay rise to its CEO, backdated for a year? What was the basis of that approval? Mr Dillon: I cannot confirm that, but I am happy to take it on notice.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 30	14/5/14	26/6/14
108.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	Indigenous Land Corporation – NCIE	Senator McKENZIE: Before the auspice arrangements changed. Okay. We were talking about the \$6 million done earlier: what due diligence was undertaken by NCIE prior to the acquisition? Mr Dillon: I would have to take that on notice. Senator McKENZIE: We had \$6 million from an acquisition that we heard a great deal about over the last half an hour, but we do not have any idea about the due diligence that was done by NCIE around the change of an auspicing arrangement that they clearly had discussions about. You will take it on notice?	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 30 & 31	14/5/14	26/6/14
109.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	NCIE general manager – Rohan Tobler	Senator McKENZIE: All right. I am aware that Rohan Tobler, the NCIE general manager, was formerly employed by Koori Job Ready. Is that correct? Mr Dillon: It sounds correct to me, but I would have to check and take it on notice.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 31 & 32	14/5/14	26/6/14
110.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Indigenous Land Corporation and Indigenous Business Advisory - reviews	Senator McLUCAS: How many people made submissions? Ms Edwards: 26. Senator McLUCAS: To break them into categories, how many were states and territories? Ms Edwards: Very few. We can take that on notice. We think it was perhaps a couple.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 34	14/5/14	26/6/14
111.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Seselja	Indigenous Business Advisory – taxi costs	Senator SESELJA: Question on notice number 185—the response from previous estimates: you said, I think, that \$40,712 was spent on taxis between 7 September 2013 and 9 December 2013. That is a pretty high figure in a couple of months; is there a reason why so much was spent on taxis in a couple of months?..... Senator SESELJA: Is that an indicative number or a high number for a period of a couple of months? How does that compare to the rest of the year, or recent years? Mr Fry: We may need to take that on notice and look at how it compares	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 38 & 39	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>with the previous 12 months. It is at a level of detail that I just do not have at my fingertips at the moment.....</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: How many of those 235 would be regularly using taxis? Is it a small proportion or is it most staff?</p> <p>Mr Fry: Broadly speaking, about 50 per cent of our total workforce is working out in the regions but we have people from our national office travelling out and vice versa—our regional staff coming in for special events. So I am not trying to avoid the question; I just do not have the level of detail at my fingertips to be able to answer you specifically.</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: Perhaps you could take that on notice.</p> <p>Mr Fry: We will take it on notice.</p>			
112.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Seselja	Lhere Artepe	<p>Mr Fry: Again, this occurred before we got involved with the supermarkets. I am aware that there is another entity with Lhere Artepe which is involved in a subdivision. I believe that subdivision blocks continue to be sold. I would not like to make comment as to the initial scope of where that subdivision was, the number of blocks and so forth, but I understand that the subdivision has been completed and blocks continue to be sold. In fact, I had a look at one of the blocks the last time I was in Alice Springs to understand the wider group interests. They seem to be well marketed and in a good location. It is a new subdivision of significant homes.</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: Maybe you could check some of the detail you are not able to comment on now and take on notice whether or not you have any further detail on that.</p> <p>Mr Fry: Certainly.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 43	14/5/14	26/6/14
113.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	School attendance officers	<p>Senator McLUCAS: Just in terms of the numbers—</p> <p>Ms Hosking: The numbers have gone up slightly since the minister announced the numbers the other day. There are now 326 supervisors and officers directly engaged in activities and another 105 in the pipeline. The pipeline is always a bit bigger than the total number because we need to have more people in that because of movement and people who may not pass all the check and so forth. But those are the current numbers.</p> <p>Senator McLUCAS: Can I just get on notice the locations, the organisations that have been contracted to manage the program at each location, the number of school attendance supervisors at each location, the</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 46	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				number of school attendance officers at each location and the activities that you were describing that may be different at different locations. Thank you..... Ms Carroll: In most but not all communities. When we give the list of the schools and who is the provider we can give you the providers and we can identify on that list which are the RJCP providers of that community, if you like. Senator PERIS: If you could.....			
114.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Family Responsibilities Commission	Senator McLUCAS: How many families are on income management through school non-attendance in the five communities that are being run by the FRC? Ms Edwards: We would have to take those figures on notice. That part of the measure is run out of DSS, but we could take it on notice and respond quite quickly. Ms Carroll: That question should probably be given to DSS. Ms Edwards: We could pass it to DSS. Senator McLUCAS: Thank you. FRC is funded until when?	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 50	14/5/14	26/6/14
115.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing	Senator SIEWERT: You will probably have to take this on notice, but I am interested to flip around the debate on the focus of the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing. Do we have an idea of how many houses in remote communities have not been refurbished—in other words, the size of the job still to go? Senator Scullion: It might be required to be on taken notice. Senator SIEWERT: Are you aware if anybody has done that work? Senator Scullion: I am sure it is available. Ms Carroll: We will take that on notice. Senator SIEWERT: Thank you. Has the work been done and, if so, how many by community in the NT? Let us start there. Is that okay? Ms Carroll: Yes, Senator.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 55	14/5/14	26/6/14
116.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Property and tenancy management reforms	Senator SIEWERT: I might put on notice: how assured are you with their assurances and what, in concrete, do you have which shows that they are meeting those requirements beyond their assurances to the Commonwealth? Mr Stacey: We will take that on notice.	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 56	14/5/14	26/6/14

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117.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Housing	<p>Senator McLUCAS: Mr Stacey, is there any data collected in whatever form—probably not—that talks about the number of apprenticeships that have been achieved through this housing program? I daresay it was not requested as part of the original reporting methodology, but if you did then it would be great to know.</p> <p>Mr Stacey: I think we will have to take that one on notice.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 59	14/5/14	26/6/14
118.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Employment	<p>Senator McLUCAS: Thank you. I will put some on notice, back to the seawalls: can I also get that list of where and who and what? Not by location, but can I get an understanding of the number of people who are in the blue card—that is what we call it in Queensland; I think Senator Peris calls it an ochre card—and who are in the exempt period? So, people who have applied for their card but who, properly, are going through that process to get that card, but have been employed?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: For the people who are employed, we do not employ them until they actually have the card.</p> <p>Senator McLUCAS: Did I misunderstand you?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: No, but..... as part</p> <p>Senator Scullion: Because they do not have their working-with-kids check. So they are engaged by the RJCP provider, often doing the occupational health and safety and the prevocational work. Invariably it is a very short period of time. When they say 'imminent' there has been an awful lot of work done to get the working-with-kids material done over Christmas. The jurisdictions have done very well, but there is a short period of time under which they are engaged by the provider. So that is why there is another category, because we will not allow them to work with kids unless they have the working-with-kids card.</p> <p>Senator McLUCAS: Thank you. If you could give me those three figures?</p> <p>Ms Carroll: We will give you the definition for the three groups.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 60	14/5/14	26/6/14

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119.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Remote housing	What legal protections exist for tenants of houses deemed to be legacy dwellings, that is houses that are not rebuilt or refurbished under the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
120.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Remote housing	Do all the tenancy agreements in remote communities in the Northern Territory comply with the Residential Tenancies Act.	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
121.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Remote housing	The National Partnership on Remote Indigenous Housing - Progress Review (2008 - 2013) states “The need for ongoing tenant support and engagement with tenants about rights and responsibilities is particularly important”. There is currently no adequately funded legal service to meet the legal demands of remote tenants in the NT. Will a remote tenancy service be funded in the NT?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
122.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Remote housing	The Northern Territory Government does not have any money in its budget for repairs and maintenance of public housing dwellings until the next financial year. Will the Commonwealth provide funding to enable the Northern Territory Government to conduct repairs to its public housing premises? How much will this be?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
123.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Remote housing	What is the net increase of bedrooms fit for occupancy per remote community in the Northern Territory as a result of the NPARIH construction works? What is the projected net increase of bedrooms fit for occupancy per remote community in the Northern Territory?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
124.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Remote housing	What is the Department of Social Security or the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet doing to ensure that Territory Housing is acting on the recommendations of the Commonwealth Ombudsman’s report into Remote Housing reforms in the NT?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
125.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Remote housing	What is the average cost of new, rebuilt and refurbished works under NPARIH in the NT?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
126.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Disability support for Indigenous Australians	What programs of support are available in remote communities in the Northern Territory, by community?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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127.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Un Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples	Does the government continue to support the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
128.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	National Congress of Australia's First Peoples	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The government says that it will continue to deal with the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples as a national representative body. Please advise how Congress is to be engaged and whether formal and regular meetings are in place with Congress? 2. In terms of engagement with Congress how does government plan to be better informed and have better capacity to govern Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander affairs through its engagement with Congress? 3. What has Congress proposed to government in terms of engagement and better forms of governance? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
129.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Empowered Communities Project	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide more information on the 'Empowered Communities' project. The news report stated that Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet associate secretary Liza Carroll, David Tune from Treasury and Finn Pratt from Social Services will sit on a committee with Noel Pearson to coordinate government services to eight communities from around Australia. Was the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples invited to participate in this project, and for what reasons? 2. Will the 'Empowered Communities' approach be available to all the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia? 3. What are the goals and timelines for the completion of this project? 4. What outcomes are to be achieved? 5. How will Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people know whether the project is succeeding? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
130.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Family Responsibilities Commission	Income management has recently been extended in time in Queensland under the Family Responsibilities Commission. What is the exit strategy for the Commission to end its work?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
131.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	School attendance	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I understand that in Aurukun only 25% of the Aurukun youth of high school age are attending school in Aurukun or elsewhere and that 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>significantly better statistics on school attendance are being achieved 14/5/14 in Bamaga without the special attention being given to Aurukun. How are these programs being assessed?</p> <p>2. Is it possible that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in other locations in Cape York are being disadvantaged by this approach?</p>			
132.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Indigenous incarceration rates	Why won't the Government commit to a Justice target to address the disproportionately incarcerated Aboriginal people?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
133.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Funding for Aboriginal Early Childhood Support and Learning Inc	Why has the funding for Aboriginal Early Childhood Support and Learning Inc (AECSL), been cut?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
134.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Funding for the Wyndham Early Learning Activity Centre	Does the Government plan to continue the funding for the Wyndham Early Learning Activity Centre?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
135.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	Time spent in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities	The Prime Minister has undertaken to spend more time in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and is encouraging his colleagues to make similar commitments. Is the same approach being encouraged within the public service where officials are encouraged to spend their personal time in greater contact with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
136.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	COAG engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representatives	How is COAG engaging with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representatives to ensure that the First Peoples are able to participate in the major policy and infrastructure decisions being made within COAG that affect their lives and futures?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
137.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	Wadeye Hostel	<p>1. The former government pledged \$28 million to open three aboriginal boarding schools in the Northern Territory in 2008. How many of these have actually been built?</p> <p>2. When did Wadeye become operational?</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				3. Did the facility cost \$14.5million? 4. Was it over budget and if so why? 5. Was it because he cost of staff housing had not been considered? 6. Where will the money for the two other facilities come from given Wadeye has used half the money pledged for the three facilities? 7. Is it possible to build two other 40 bed hostels? 8. How many residents at the facility are drawn from communities outside Wadeye? 9. Who manages the hostel? 10. How many people does it employ and how many of these are Indigenous?			
138.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	Weipa Hostel	1. The original plan by the Howard Government was to build a 40 bed school student hostel at Weipa. The previous government changed this and announced that it would build a 120 bed hostel at Weipa. I understand that currently there are around 53 students enrolled at the Weipa Hostel. Is this correct? 2. Was a feasibility study done? 3. Was the feasibility study done after the announcement by the former Minister? 4. How many of the 53 students come from the nearby hostel that predated the current facility?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
139.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	Application of the one-off efficiency dividend	Why is the one-off efficiency dividend of 2.5 per cent in 2012-13 not applied to the following agencies? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aboriginal Hostels Limited • Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Studies • Indigenous Business Australia • Indigenous Land Corporation • National Native Title Tribunal • Torres Strait Regional Authority 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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140.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	Acquisition of Koori Job Ready	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The functions of the ILC are limited to land acquisition and Indigenous land management under section 191C of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Act 2005. 2. How was the acquisition on 1 October 2003 of Koori Job Ready by its subsidiary, the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence Ltd (NCIE), consistent with section 191 of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Act 2005? 3. Is there any nexus with land acquisition and Indigenous land management in the purchase of Koori Job Ready? 4. Section 15(1) of the Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997 (the CAC Act) obliges the ILC to notify the Minister for Indigenous Affairs if it or any of its subsidiaries commence or cease a significant business activity. Did the ILC notify the Minister of the purchase of Koori Job Ready? 5. If not, why not and is the ILC now in breach of the CAC Act? 6. When did the Board of the NCIE Ltd first become aware of the proposal to acquire Koori Job Ready and at which meeting did it make a decision to proceed with the acquisition? 7. Please provide copies of all Board briefing or decision papers that were provided to the NCIE Ltd Board relating to the acquisition of Koori Job Ready. 8. What due diligence did the NCIE Ltd Board carry out and have before it in making its decision to acquire Koori Job Ready? 9. Did NCIE Ltd seek or obtain any written legal advice about the acquisition of Koori Job Ready and did that advice touch on whether the acquisition was within the remit of NCIE Ltd? 10. Does the section 191G Agreement between the ILC and NCIE Ltd permit such an acquisition? 11. When did the ILC Board first become aware of the proposed acquisition of Koori Job Ready by NCIE Ltd and did NCIE Ltd seek the ILC Board's approval or endorsement of the acquisition. 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>If so, did the ILC Board give such approval of acquisition and at which ILC Board meeting did this occur?</p> <p>12. It is noted that Mr Rohan Tobler, NCIE General Manager was formerly employed at Koori Job Ready and the Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union CFMEU. Was he personally involved in advocating for the acquisition of Koori Job Ready?</p> <p>13. Is Mr Rohan Tobler related to Mr Les Tobler, Manager at Koori Job Network? Was the NCIE or the ILC aware of this connection before the acquisition?</p> <p>14. Did the acquisition involve any dealings (direct or indirect) between NCIE Ltd and the Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU) or any branch thereof?</p> <p>15. Has the NCIE and the ILC any liabilities relating to the tragic death of a 23 year old Indigenous man on 9 January 2013 at the Barangaroo construction site in Sydney?</p> <p>16. It appears this young man had completed his pre-employment training at Koori Job Ready. Would Koori Job Ready be able to demonstrate that when he was placed in work, he was absolutely fit for work mentally, physically and skill wise?</p> <p>17. Did the ILC Audit and Risk Committee review the Koori Job Ready acquisition for legislative compliance and due diligence risks?</p> <p>18. Can copies of any contract of acquisition be provided?</p>			
141.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Siewert	CDEP/RJCP	<p>1. CDEP and RJCP workers are not entitled to claim workers compensation benefits. They are insured as “participants” under Department of Employment insurance policies against death and accidental bodily injury.</p> <p>a. Are injured workers advised that they are able to claim under DEEWR’s insurance policies?</p> <p>b. If not, what has DEEWR done to identify workers with</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>potential claims under the insurance arrangements in place and their ability to claim compensation for any injuries suffered?</p> <p>c. What has DEEWR done to communicate the insurance arrangements to CDEP/RJCP participants and employers?</p> <p>d. What will DEEWR do to communicate the insurance arrangements to CDEP/RJCP participants and employers?</p>			
142.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Seselja	Indigenous Business Australia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Under Indigenous Business Australia's Home Ownership Programme, how many loans have been approved since the beginning of 2012? During this period, how many loans have been approved on Indigenous land under this programme? How many loans were approved on Indigenous land between 2010 and 2012 under the former Home Ownership on Indigenous Land Programme? What has affected the performance of the Home Ownership Programme on Indigenous land? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
143.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Seselja	Closing the Gap	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The original plan by the Howard Government was to build a 40 bed school student hostel at Weipa. The previous government changed this and announced that it would build a 120 bed hostel at Weipa. I understand that currently there are around 53 students enrolled at the Weipa Hostel. Is this correct? Was a feasibility study done? Was the feasibility study done after the announcement by the former Minister? How many of the 53 students come from the nearby hostel that predated the current facility? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
144.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Seselja	Aboriginals Benefit Account	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> What was the increase in Commonwealth funding from the Aboriginals Benefit Account for the Northern Territory Land Councils over the last five financial years? Could you explain how the increase came about and what additional benefits were generated? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				3. Over that same period, can you comment on the state of the Aboriginals Benefit Account which funds the Land Councils? 4. How many Northern and Central Land Council representatives were in the delegation that visited Canberra during the week of 10 February 2014? 5. How many days were spent in Canberra? 6. Can the Department estimate what the cost of this trip would be? 7. How many meetings did the Land Councils attend while they were in Canberra? Did all representatives attend these meetings? 8. Is the Department aware of any outcomes of this trip?			
145.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Indigenous Land Corporation	<p>When the Indigenous Land Corporation appeared before the Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee at the Estimates hearing on Friday 28 February 2014, the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet gave evidence that it had received a copy of a report prepared by 'Aegis Consulting Group', which was reported in the Australian on 22 January 2014.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. On what date did the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Department of Finance receive the Aegis Consulting Group report? b. Who provided the Department with the report? Please table any correspondence. c. Was the letter accompanying the report addressed to Ministers? d. Does the report analyse and refer to any official Indigenous Land Corporation documents, including correspondence between former Ministers Macklin and Wong and the Chair of the Indigenous Land Corporation Board? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. If so, who provided the Aegis Consulting Group with these documents? ii. Will the Government pursue action for a breach of the <i>Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997</i> (Cth) or the <i>Crimes Act 1914</i> (Cth) if those documents were provided to Aegis Consulting Group in 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>contravention of those Acts?</p> <p>e. Was the Minister or his office provided with a copy of the report by the Aegis Consulting Group or a third party?</p> <p>f. Has the Minister or his office had any discussions with third parties regarding this report? If yes, with whom and on what date?</p> <p>g. Does the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, the Department of Finance, the Minister for Indigenous Affairs or the Minister for Finance intend to pursue the allegations in the Aegis Consulting Group report that have been reported in the media in relation to possible breaches of the <i>Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997 (Cth)</i> by members of the Indigenous Land Corporation Board?</p>			
146.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Indigenous Land Corporation	<p>The Minister for Indigenous Affairs announced a review of the Indigenous Land Corporation and Indigenous Business Australia on 2 December 2013.</p> <p>a. Please table all correspondence between the Indigenous Land Corporation, Indigenous Business Australia and the Minister for Indigenous Affairs regarding the review and its terms of reference.</p> <p>b. Please table screen shots of all versions of the terms of reference that were placed on departmental and ministerial web pages. Please advise if there are any discrepancies between the versions of the terms of reference.</p> <p>c. Prior to receiving the Ernst and Young report on 17 February 2014, did the Department, the Minister or the Minister's office receive any earlier versions of the report from Ernst and Young, including in draft form? If yes, did the Department, the Minister, or the Minister's Office</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				request any changes to any earlier versions that were received? Please list specific changes that were requested and any related correspondence between Ernst and Young, the Minister, the Minister's office and the Department.			
147.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Indigenous Land Corporation	Please table all correspondence between the Prime Minister, the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for Finance, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister and the Chair of the Indigenous Land Corporation, dated between 1 September 2013 and 28 February 2014, that relates to the Indigenous Land Corporation's acquisition of the Ayers Rock Resort through its subsidiary Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia.	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
148.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Housing	<p>The Government has announced \$12 million for the construction of sea walls in the Torres Strait, with \$6 million of this funding to be pulled from the <i>Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure</i> program.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Could you please outline the purpose and scope of the Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure program? Which department has responsibility for this program? Has this scope or purpose changed in any way since the Coalition Government came to office? How much funding is budgeted for this program? Could you please provide a list of all projects funded under the program for the last five financial years, including a list of all recipients and the amounts they received, and for what purpose they received the funds? Was there an application process for the funding? If so, please outline the process. 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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149.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Housing	How many Indigenous people are currently employed in the delivery of the construction program for remote public housing in the Northern Territory under the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing (NPARIH)?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
150.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Housing	<p>Have there been any changes to the formula for the Indigenous employment target under NPARIH? Does the Indigenous employment percentage include employees working as part of the Stronger Futures Northern Territory programs?</p> <p>Is the program on track to meet refurbishment, rebuild and new home targets? Please provide an update on progress, including latest available figures for the rollout and locations.</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
151.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Housing	What work is currently outstanding or not complete? Are these projects on track to be delivered before the NPARIH expires in 2018?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
152.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Programs	<p>It was reported in <i>The Australian</i> on 22 January 2014 that the Government has announced that it will collapse 26 programs worth \$2.39 billion a year into five streams. A media release dated 22 January 2014</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Why has this information not been published on the department or Ministerial website? Is the Government undertaking, or planning to undertake, a reorganisation of programs into five broad streams? If so: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What are the five streams? What programs will be affected? What are the new program budgets? What are the administrative costs of the overhaul? What red tape has been identified as unnecessary? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> vi. What formal process is in place to streamline 14/5/14 evaluation, acquittal and reporting processes among the various programs? vii. What savings are expected to be made by bringing together programs into broad streams and where will these savings be directed? 			
153.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Indigenous Employment	<p>The head of Prime Minister Abbott's Indigenous Advisory Council, Mr Warren Mundine, is seeking the Commonwealth Government's support for a trial program aimed at moving young offenders into jobs and training programs in Western Australia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Will the Government provide federal funding for the trial? b. Has the proposal been considered by the Government? c. Who within the Government has responsibility for the decision to support the trial? d. Has the department or the Minister met with Mr Mundine to discuss the trial? If not, why not? e. Has the trial been assessed in the context of the Forrest Review? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
154.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Indigenous Employment	<p>It was reported in <i>The Australian</i> on 15 February 2014 that the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council had ordered bureaucrats to come up with ways to re-engage up to 40,000 Indigenous youths who are missing from the system as a matter of urgency.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Is the department currently undertaking work to develop interventions to engage these Indigenous youths? Please detail the work being undertaken. b. Does this work include development of diversionary 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				programs to be rolled out nationally?			
155.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Indigenous Employment	It was reported in <i>The Australian</i> on 12 February 2014 that the Head of the Indigenous Employment and Training Review, Mr Andrew Forrest, has called for the dole to be banned for Indigenous teenagers who drop out of school. Will the Government rule out a ban on early school-leavers accessing welfare support?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
156.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Education	<p>It was reported in <i>The Australian</i> on 13 February 2014 that the Minister for Indigenous Affairs had flagged sending more children from remote Aboriginal communities to boarding schools as a way to improve school attendance.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Has the Minister or department officials consulted with remote Indigenous communities about sending children away from the community to go to school? Who would bear the cost of sending children to the boarding schools? What is the effect of a Government policy to send children from remote communities to boarding schools on schools in remote communities? Has this been discussed with State and Territory Governments? If not, why not? Is the department currently undertaking policy work on this initiative? Senator Scullion is quoted as saying that the “Federal government would look at using the significant excess capacity in existing boarding schools before considering building new facilities.” <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How many places are currently vacant in boarding schools referred to by the Minister? Has the Minister been provided with advice on the 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>vacancy levels of boarding schools?</p> <p>iii. Is it the Government's intention to increase the capacity of boarding schools or build new facilities? Has the Minister sought and/ or been provided with advice about this?</p>			
157.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Truancy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. During Senate Estimates hearing on 28 February 2014 the Minister indicated that State Truancy Officers in QLD were working alongside federally funded School Attendance Officers. What are the formal arrangements in place for how these positions interact? 2. How many School Attendance Officers were already employed before taking up their position? 3. Could you please provide the details of the application or selection process used by the department to engage School Attendance Officers? 4. School Attendance Officers will be dealing with a range of issues experienced by children and their families and may often deal with children in what is potentially a non-compliant situation. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Can you advise what specific training has been provided to School Attendance Officers? b. What linkages are in place between School Attendance Officers and wraparound community and family services? 5. Can you detail the roles, responsibilities and powers of School Attendance Officers, particularly when confronted with a child or family who is not compliant with the direction to attend school? 6. Please provide the figures and locations of School Attendance Officers who are currently employed in communities. 7. What consultation took place between the Minister and/ or the Department before the school attendance policy was decided upon and implemented? 	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>8. Please outline the timeline of the development and implementation of the policy to date.</p> <p>9. How much is a School Attendance Officer paid?</p> <p>10. Do School Attendance Officers receive superannuation contributions?</p> <p>11. Could you please provide the conditions of their employment?</p> <p>12. Please provide a breakdown of the program costs, including wages for School Attendance officers, money provided for children and families and the communities.</p>			
158.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Constitutional Recognition	<p>1. Which Minister and department has responsibility for funding the RECOGNISE community awareness campaign for constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?</p> <p>2. Has the Minister for Indigenous Affairs or the department consulted with any other Minister or department regarding an increase in funding for RECOGNISE?</p> <p>3. Has the Minister or department officials met with RECOGNISE to discuss future funding needs of the campaign?</p> <p>4. Will the Government commit to an increase in funding for RECOGNISE, given the need to accelerate and expand the campaign?</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14
159.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Treaties	<p>The head of the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council, Mr Warren Mundine, proposed a plan for a raft of individual treaties with Aboriginal nations in an Australia Day address earlier this year. It was reported in <i>The Australian</i> on 28 January 2014 that the Minister for Indigenous Affairs committed the Government to consider Mr Mundine's proposal. Please provide an update on the work currently being undertaken to consider this proposal.</p> <p>a. Has the Minister met with Mr Mundine to discuss the</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>proposal? If so, when? Were any advisers or departmental officials present at the meeting? If not, why not?</p> <p>b. Has the Minister sought and/ or been provided with advice on the implications of individual treaties with Aboriginal nations? If so, was this advice in the form of a written brief? When was this advice requested and/ or provided? If not, why not?</p> <p>c. Has the Attorney-General been consulted about the proposal? If not, why not?</p>			
160.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McLucas	Gomeroi community application to protect sacred areas	<p>Gomeroi traditional owners made an emergency application under ss 9 and 10 of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984 (Cth) [ATSIHP] to the Minister for the Environment on 12 November 2013 to protect sacred burial grounds and culturally significant sites at Whitehaven Coal's Maules Creek mine site.</p> <p>a. When was the Minister for Indigenous Affairs first made aware of this application?</p> <p>b. On what date were the Administrative Orders changed to bring ATSIHP within the responsibility of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs?</p> <p>c. When was the Minister for Indigenous Affairs notified of the change of the Administrative Orders?</p> <p>d. On what date did the Minister for Indigenous Affairs assume decision making responsibility for applications made under ATSIHP?</p> <p>e. On what date did the Minister for Indigenous Affairs notify Gomeroi traditional owners that their application was now within his responsibility? Was this in writing?</p> <p>f. The Minister made a request for more information from the Gomeroi traditional owners regarding their application. Was</p>	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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				<p>this additional information received by the Minister, Minister's office or department?</p> <p>g. When was the Minister notified that decision making responsibility for ATSIHP, particularly the Gomeroi traditional owners' applications, were no longer within his area of responsibility?</p> <p>h. How was the Minister for Indigenous Affairs notified that the decision making responsibility for the Gomeroi application, and all others under ATSIHP, had transferred to the Minister for the Environment?</p> <p>i. On what date were the Administrative Orders changed to affect this transfer?</p> <p>j. Did the Minister notify the Gomeroi traditional owners that he was no longer the responsible decision maker? If so, when? Was this in writing?</p> <p>k. Was all relevant information regarding the Gomeroi application communicated and passed on from the Minister for Indigenous Affairs' office to the Minister for Environment's Office?</p> <p>l. Did the Minister for Indigenous Affairs discuss the application and its progression while he was the responsible Minister with the Minister for the Environment? If so, when?</p>			

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				<p>directors or equivalent</p> <p>c) If yes, for each is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each cost item</p> <p>d) If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement</p> <p>e) If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.</p> <p>f) If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them</p> <p>g) If yes, for each, who selected them</p> <p>h) If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them,</p> <p>i) If yes, please detail what involvement it was</p> <p>j) If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list</p> <p>k) If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur</p> <p>l) If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department</p> <p>m) If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur</p> <p>3. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, what reviews are on-going?</p> <p>a) Please list them.</p> <p>b) What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?</p> <p>4. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.</p> <p>5. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, what reviews have concluded? Please list them.</p> <p>6. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, how many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list</p>			

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				<p>them and the date they were provided.</p> <p>7. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?</p> <p>8. What reviews are planned?</p> <p>a) When will each planned review be commenced?</p> <p>b) When will each of these reviews be concluded?</p> <p>c) When will government respond to each review?</p> <p>d) Will the government release each review?</p> <p>e) If so, when?</p> <p>f) If not, why not?</p>			
162.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Commissioned reports	<p>1. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, how many Reports (including paid external advice) have been commissioned by the Minister, 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.</p> <p>2. How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental or external staff were involved in each report and at what level?</p> <p>3. What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</p>	Written	<p>ANAO 14/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>APSC, ONA see PM&C response</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>

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163.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	<p>Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Non-Government parties other than the Australian Labor Party? If yes, please include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. f) Which Non-Government Parties or Independents, excluding the Australian Labor Party have requested briefings and/or information? 	Written	<p>ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>
164.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Appointments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please detail any board appointments made from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. 2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio? 	Written	<p>ANAO 14/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>APSC, ONA see PM&C response</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>

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165.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Stationery requirements	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? 2. Detail the items provided to the minister's office 3. How much was spent on departmental stationary requirements from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
166.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Electronic equipment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Other than phones, ipads or computers – please list the electronic equipment provided to the Minister's office since 7 September 2013. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) List the items b) List the items location or normal location c) List if the item is in the possession of the office or an individual staff member of minister, if with an individual list their employment classification level d) List the total cost of the items e) List an itemised cost breakdown of these items f) List the date they were provided to the office g) Note if the items were requested by the office or proactively provided by the department 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
167.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Media subscriptions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14	15/5/14

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				c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date? 2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have? a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date? 3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have? a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date? 4. What publications does your department/agency purchase? a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date?		DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	26/6/14 26/6/14
168.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Media monitoring	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?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14

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				<p>a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>e) The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>a) The location used</p> <p>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
170.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Communications staff	<p>1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:</p> <p>a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>d) How many are graphic designers?</p> <p>e) How many are media managers?</p> <p>f) How many organise events?</p>	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
171.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Provision of	<p>1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers</p>	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14	15/5/14

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			equipment (ministerial)	and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs? a. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification 2. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide a list of what is provided across the department of agency, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.		OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	
172.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Provision of equipment (departmental)	1. Other than desktop computers, list all electronic equipment provided to department/agency staff. a. List the items b. List the purchase cost c. List the ongoing cost d. List the staff and staff classification that receive the equipment.	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
173.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Computers	1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used 2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location 3. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14

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				<p>of those locations.</p> <p>2. Update the status of each grant that was approved prior to 7 September 2013, but did not have financial contracts in place on 7 September 2013. Provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those grants.</p>		<p>OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p> <p>Indigenous 14/5/14</p>	<p>26/6/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>
177.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Government payments of accounts	<p>1. From Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, what has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others?</p> <p>2. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days?</p> <p>3. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days?</p> <p>4. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days?</p> <p>5. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days?</p> <p>6. How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days?</p> <p>7. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since 7 September 2013?</p> <p>8. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>	Written	<p>ANAO 3/4/14</p> <p>OCO 10/4/14</p> <p>OIGIS 11/4/14</p> <p>APSC 11/4/14</p> <p>ONA 11/4/14</p> <p>OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p> <p>Indigenous 14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>
178.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Consultancies	<p>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 (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.</p> <p>2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have</p>	Written	<p>ANAO 3/4/14</p> <p>OCO 10/4/14</p> <p>OIGIS 11/4/14</p> <p>APSC 11/4/14</p> <p>ONA 11/4/14</p> <p>OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>

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				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?		Indigenous 14/5/14	26/6/14
179.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Meeting costs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
180.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date including any catering and drinks costs. 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality 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. 3. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment 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. 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14

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183.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Staffing reductions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions? 2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. 3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut. 4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening. 5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. 6. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification were these staff? 7. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification were these staff? 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
184.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Staffing recruitment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many ongoing staff recruited from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification are these staff? 2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification are these staff? 3. From Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14

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188.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Taxi costs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for taxi costs? 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
189.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Hire cars	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for hire car costs? 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
190.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Credit cards	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. Please update details of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? How is corporate credit card use monitored? What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered since Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse? 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14

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				8. List the staffing resources by APS level assigned indirectly to Freedom of Information requests 9. Does the department ever second additional resources to processing Freedom of Information requests? a. If so, please detail those resources by APS level 10. How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the department? a. How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013? 11. How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Minister's office? a. How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013? 12. Of the officers that are designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Ministers office, how many are seconded officers from the department? 13. What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the department? a. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received formal training? b. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received informal training? c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training? d. What did the training involve? e. How long was the training? f. By whom was the training conducted? 14. What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the Minister's office, excluding those officers on secondment from the department? a. Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many			

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				<p>have received formal training?</p> <p>b. Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received informal training?</p> <p>c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training?</p> <p>d. What did the training involve?</p> <p>e. How long was the training?</p> <p>f. By whom was the training conducted?</p> <p>15. Since 7 September 2013, how many Freedom of Information requests been shown or alerted to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>a. List those notified request</p> <p>b. How many instances were each of this requests brought to the office or the Minister's attention?</p> <p>c. How many of these items resulted in a separate formal brief being provided to the Minister?</p> <p>d. How many of these items resulted in a separate informal briefing (including by email) being provided to the Minister?</p> <p>e. How many requests have resulted in multiple formal briefs being provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>f. How many requests have resulted in multiple informal briefs (including by email) being provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>16. Does the department provide FOI PDFs for download on their website?</p> <p>17. If not, what is the cost associated with staffing to require monitor email and collate and forward requested FOI documents?</p> <p>18. How does the department test it is complying with accessibility standards for its websites?</p> <p>19. Does the department comply with accessibility standards for all its websites?</p> <p>20. What would be the effect on the accessibility rating of the department's website if FOI PDFs were provided on the department</p>			

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				<p>websites?</p> <p>21. What accessibility testing of the website was done and what were the points of failure prior to this change in access for FOI documents?</p> <p>22. Have the website accessibility standards been solely or partly responsible for not putting FOI PDF documents on the department websites?</p> <p>23. How does the department facilitate anonymous access to the FOI disclosure files?</p> <p>24. How many times were the last 20 FOI requests PDFs which were made available on the website downloaded? How often have the FOI requests only available by email request been sent?</p> <p>25. How long does it take to requests for disclosed FOI files to be processed? What was the average turn around from request to sending of files in the last 3 months?</p> <p>26. What was the content of communications with other departments about the website accessibility standards and FOI PDFs?</p> <p>27. Where did advice concerning the website accessibility certification and provision of PDFs come from and what was the content of that advice?</p> <p>28. Does the department consider that not providing direct download of PDFs is more accessible for people with disabilities and the general public than providing the links?</p> <p>29. What efforts have been made to make FOI PDFs accessible to members of the public who have disabilities?</p> <p>30. Has advice from the information commissioner been sought regarding providing FOI requests available by email request only?</p> <p>31. Has any disability advice group or consultant been contacted regarding making the FOI requests accessible to people with disabilities?</p> <p>32. Is this compatible with the information commissioners guidelines- specifically that “published information should be accessible — in particular, it should comply with an agency’s obligation to meet the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (Version 2)“</p>			

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				a. What is the progress of that red tape reduction target 2. How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level? 3. How have they been recruited? 4. What process was used for their appointment? 5. What is the total cost of this unit? 6. Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents? 7. Lease list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body. 8. What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department?		ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	26/6/14
196.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Official residences	1. Provide a list of all formal functions conducted at any of the Official Residences, or for the Prime Minister's office or Prime Minister's Dining Room where it has been used in place of the official residences. Include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The guest list of each function, including if any ministerial staff attended The party or individual who initiated the request for the function The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function A list of drinks consumed at the function 2. Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order at any of the official residences, or venues or offices acting as official residences.	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
197.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Land costs	1. How much land (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease? 2. Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department,	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC	15/5/14 26/6/14

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				<p>the Minister made aware?</p> <p>2. Can the Minister confirm that all ministerial and electorate officers in their office comply fully with the ministerial staff code of conduct?</p> <p>a. If not, how many staff don't comply, broken down by classification level?</p> <p>b. How long have they worked for the Minister?</p> <p>3. Can you confirm they all complied with the code on the date of their employment?</p> <p>a. If not, on what date did they comply?</p> <p>4. Can you confirm that all disclosures as required by the code were made to the government staffing committee?</p> <p>a. If so, on what date were those disclosure made?</p> <p>5. By position title list the date each staff member was approved by government staff committee</p> <p>6. Can you confirm all staff have divested themselves of any and all relevant shares as of the date of their appointment</p> <p>7. Can you list by number if any staff have been granted exception by the SMOS to remain a director of a company as allowed by the Ministerial Staff Code of Conduct, break down by position level</p>			
199.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Boards	<p>Since September 7th 2013;</p> <p>1. how often has each board met, break down by board name;</p> <p>2. what travel expenses are provided;</p> <p>3. what is the average attendance at board meetings;</p> <p>4. how does the board deal with conflict of interest;</p> <p>5. what conflicts of interest have been registered;</p> <p>6. what remuneration is provided to board members;</p> <p>7. how does the board dismiss board members who do not meet attendance standards?</p> <p>8. Have any requests been made to ministers to dismiss board members since September 7, 2013?</p> <p>9. Please list board members who have attended less than 51% of</p>	Written	<p>ANAO 14/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>APSC, ONA see PM&C response</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p> <p>Indigenous 14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>

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				<p>d. Were there any times that the department tried to contact the minister but were unable?</p> <p>4. Were there any matters with which the department needed to make contact with the acting minister during this time? If so:</p> <p>a. Please provide a list of these matters and the date they occurred</p> <p>b. Please provide a copy of any correspondence, emails, notes etc between the acting minister and the department during this time.</p> <p>c. Were there any times that the department was aware that it would be unable to communicate with the acting minister?</p> <p>d. Were there any times that the department tried to contact the acting minister but were unable?</p> <p>e. but were unable?</p> <p>5. Did the department contact the Minister or acting minister during this time? If so:</p> <p>a. Please provide a list of these matters and the date they occurred</p> <p>b. Please provide a copy of any correspondence, emails, notes etc between the minister and or acting minister and the department during this time.</p>			
202.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Departmental rebranding	<p>Has the department/Agency undergone a name change or any other form of rebranding since September 7, 2013? If so:</p> <p>1. Please detail why this name change / rebrand were considered necessary and a justified use of departmental funds?</p> <p>a. Please provide a copy of any reports that were commissioned to study the benefits and costs associated with the rebranding.</p> <p>2. Please provide the total cost associated with this rebrand and then break down by amount spent replacing:</p> <p>a. Signage.</p> <p>b. Stationery (please include details of existing stationery and</p>	Written	<p>ANAO 3/4/14</p> <p>OCO 10/4/14</p> <p>OIGIS 11/4/14</p> <p>APSC 11/4/14</p> <p>ONA 11/4/14</p> <p>OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p> <p>Indigenous 14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>

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				<p>how it was disposed of).</p> <p>c. Logos</p> <p>d. Consultancy</p> <p>e. Any relevant IT changes.</p> <p>f. Office reconfiguration.</p> <p>3. How was the decision reached to rename and/or rebrand the department?</p> <p>a. Who was involved in reaching this decision?</p> <p>b. Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) from within the department, or between the department and the government regarding the rename/rebranding.</p>			
203.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Ministerial motor vehicle	<p>Has the minister been provided with a motor vehicle? If so:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the make and model? 2. How much did it cost? 3. When was it provided? 4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? 5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. 6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? 7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle. 8. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail. 9. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a minister is to use a motor vehicle they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses. 10. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail. 	Written	<p>ANAO 3/4/14</p> <p>OCO 10/4/14</p> <p>OIGIS 11/4/14</p> <p>APSC 11/4/14</p> <p>ONA 11/4/14</p> <p>OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>DPMC</p> <p>14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>

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204.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Ministerial staff vehicles (non MoPS)	<p>Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle? If so:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the make and model? 2. How much did it cost? 3. When was it provided? 4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? 5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. 6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? 7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle. 8. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail. 9. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses. 10. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail. 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
205.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Ministerial staff vehicles	<p>Have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle under the MoPS Act entitlements? If so:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the make and model? 2. How much did it cost? 3. When was it provided? 4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? 5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14

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				6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? 7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle. 8. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail. 9. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses. 10. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail.			

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206.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Building lease costs	<p>What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department since September 7, 2013?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Date the lease agreement is active from. Date the lease agreement ends. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not? Location of the building (City and state). Cost of the lease. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed since September 7, 2013. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Date from which the lease agreement was active. Date the lease agreement ended. Why was the lease not renewed? Location of the building (City and state). Cost of the lease. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Date the lease agreement is expected to become active. Date the lease agreement is expected to end. Expected location of the building (City and state). Expected cost of the lease. Has this cost been allocated into the budget? Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department. For each building owned or leased by the department: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What is the current occupancy rate for the building? If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for. 	Written	<p>ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14</p> <p>DPMC 14/5/14</p> <p>Indigenous 14/5/14</p>	<p>15/5/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p> <p>26/6/14</p>

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210.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Ministerial website	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> How much has been spent on the Minister's website since 7 September 2013? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> List each item of expenditure and cost Who is responsible for uploading information to the Minister's website? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Are any departmental staff required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Minister's website? 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
211.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Ministerial payouts	How much has been spent on redundancy payments to staff employed by members of the Liberal or National Parties since 7 September 2013? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> List each item of expenditure, staffing level, employing member and cost 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
212.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Ministerial staff turnover	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> List the current staffing allocation for each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff recruited, broken down by their staffing classification For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff that have resigned, broken down by their staffing classification For each Minister or Parliamentary Secretary list the number of staff that have been terminated, broken down by their staffing classification For each Ministerial staff position, please provide a table of how many individual people have been engaged against each position since the swearing in of the Abbott Government, broken down by employing member and the dates of their employment 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
213.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Christmas party costs	List what functions were held by the department/agency for either Christmas or end of calendar year since 7 September 2013. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What was the cost of each of these functions? 	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14	15/5/14

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				2. How was the money identified? 3. What was the location of these functions? 4. Provide a table of food and alcohol purchased for the function		ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	26/6/14 26/6/14
214.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Multiple tenders	List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times since 7 September 2013 1. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times? 2. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued? 3. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
215.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Market research	List any market research conducted by the department/agency since 7 September 2013. 1. List the total cost of this research 2. List each item of expenditure and cost, broken down by division and program 3. Who conducted the research? 4. How were they identified? 5. Where was the research conducted? 6. In what way was the research conducted? 7. Were focus groups, round tables or other forms of research tools used? 8. How were participants for these focus groups et al selected?	Written	ANAO 14/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 APSC, ONA see PM&C response DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
216.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Departmental upgrades	Since 7 September 2013 has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities? 1. If so, list these	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14	15/5/14

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				2. If so, list the total cost for these changes 3. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure 4. If so, who conducted the works? 5. If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works 6. If so, when are the works expected to be completed?		ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	26/6/14 26/6/14
217.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Wine coolers/fridges	Since 7 September 2013 has the department/agency purchased or leased any new wine coolers, or wine fridges or other devices for the purpose of housing alcohol beverages, including Eskies? 1. If so, list these 2. If so, list the total cost for these items 3. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure 4. If so, where were these purchased 5. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased 6. If so, what is the current location for these items? 7. If so, what is the current stocking level for each of these items?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
218.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Office plants	Since 7 September 2013 has the department/agency purchased or leased any new office plants? 1. If so, list these 2. If so, list the total cost for these items 3. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure 4. If so, where were these purchased 5. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased 6. If so, what is the current location for these items?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
219.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Office recreation facilities	Since 7 September 2013 has the department/agency purchased or leased or constructed any office recreation facilities, activities or games (including but not limited to pool tables, table tennis tables or others)? 1. If so, list these 2. If so, list the total cost for these items	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14	15/5/14

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				3. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure 4. If so, where were these purchased 5. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased 6. If so, what is the current location for these items? 7. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?		DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	26/6/14 26/6/14
220.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Vending machines	Since 7 September 2013 has the department/agency purchased or leased or taken under contract any vending machine facilities? 1. If so, list these 2. If so, list the total cost for these items 3. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure 4. If so, where were these purchased 5. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased 6. If so, what is the current location for these items? 7. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
221.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Legal costs	List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency since 7 September 2013 1. List the total cost for these items, broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or taken to prepare the advice and the level of counsel used in preparing the advice, whether the advice was internal or external 2. List cost spend briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spend briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial) 3. How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
222.	All Agencies	Ludwig	Australian public affairs	1. List all interactions between the department/agency with Australian Public Affairs since 7 September 2013. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting	Written	ANAO 14/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14	15/5/14

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				2. List all interactions between the Minister/parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with Australian Public Affairs since 7 September 2013. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting		APSC, ONA see PM&C response DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	26/6/14 26/6/14
223.	All Agencies	Wong	Staffing	How many full-time equivalent staff are engaged at 7 March 2014? How many of these positions are (a) on-going and (b) non-ongoing? How many redundancies have occurred since 18 November 2013? How many were (a) voluntary and (b) involuntary?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
224.	All Agencies	Wong	Consultants	How many consultants have been engaged since 18 November 2013?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
225.	All Agencies	Wong	Portraits of Her Majesty The Queen	Have any portraits (including photographs) of Her Majesty The Queen been hung or re-hung on department/agency premises since 18 November 2013? If so, (a) in what locations (b) who directed the action and (c) what costs, if any, have been incurred?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 OOSGG 11/4/14 DPMC	15/5/14 26/6/14

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226.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Advertising	What is the total cost (GST inclusive) of campaign advertising since 18 November 2013? What additional campaign advertising is planned? What is the estimated cost (GST inclusive) of planned campaign advertising? What is the total cost (GST inclusive) of non-campaign advertising since 18 November 2013? What additional non-campaign advertising is planned? What is the estimated cost (GST inclusive) of planned non-campaign advertising?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
227.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Hospitality	What is the total cost of hospitality since 18 September 2013? For each hospitality event please advise (a) host (b) date (c) location (d) nature of event and (e) cost.	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	1 5/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
228.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	FOI handling	Since 18 November 2013 has any advice been received from the Attorney-General's Department on the handling of Freedom of Information requests? If so, please provide details of (a) the date (b) the source (c) the subject of the advice and (d) a copy of the written advice.	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14

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229.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	FOI handling	Since 18 September 2013 has any written communication been received from the Attorney-General's Department on way AGD has handled particular Freedom of Information requests? If so, please provide details of (a) the date (b) the source (c) the recipient (d) the subject of the advice and (e) a copy of the advice.	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
230.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Media monitoring	What is the total cost of media monitoring services provided to the department/agency since 18 September 2013? Please provide details of (a) the service provider and (b) the cost. Are media monitoring services purchased by the department/agency provided to the office of a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary? If so, please provide details of the service, including, if applicable, any additional costs incurred by the department/agency.	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
231.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Social media	Since 18 November 2013 has any guidance been provided to employees on the use of social media including, but not necessarily limited to, commentary on the Australian Government? Please provide a copy of any written guidance.	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
232.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Stationery	What is the total cost expended on stationery since 31 October 2013? Is stationery purchased by the department/agency provided to the office of a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary? If so, please provide details of the stationery, including the total cost by Minister or Parliamentary Secretary.	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC	15/5/14 26/6/14

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233.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Subscription TV	Please provide details of all current departmental/agency subscription TV services including (a) provider (b) channels and (c) cost since 18 November 2013	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
234.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Newspaper and magazine subscriptions	Please provide details of current departmental/agency newspaper and magazine subscription services including (a) title of newspaper/magazine (b) whether the subscription is hardcopy/online/both and (c) cost since 18 November 2013	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
235.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Domestic travel and accommodation costs	What total domestic travel and accommodation costs have been incurred since 18 November 2013?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
236.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	International travel and accommodation costs	What total international travel and accommodation costs have been incurred since 18 November 2013?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14	15/5/14

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237.	All (except OOSGG, OIGIS, OCO)	Wong	Ministerial domestic travel and accommodation costs	Has the department/agency met any travel or accommodation incurred costs associated with domestic travel by a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary or their staff since 18 November 2013? If so, please provide details including (a) Minister or Parliamentary Secretary (b) date/s of travel (c) origin and destination and (d) breakdown of costs	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
238.	All (except OOSGG, OIGIS, OCO)	Wong	Ministerial international travel and accommodation costs	Has the department/agency met any travel or accommodation incurred costs associated with international travel by a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary or their staff since 18 November 2013? If so, please provide details including (a) Minister or Parliamentary Secretary (b) date/s of travel (c) origin and destination and (d) breakdown of costs	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14
239.	All (except OOSGG)	Wong	Legal costs	What total amount has been expended on legal services since 18 November 2013? What amount was expended on services from providers other than the Australian Government Solicitor?	Written	ANAO 3/4/14 OCO 10/4/14 OIGIS 11/4/14 APSC 11/4/14 ONA 11/4/14 DPMC 14/5/14 Indigenous 14/5/14	15/5/14 26/6/14 26/6/14
240.	OOSGG	Wong	Governor-General Designate	On what date was the Governor-General informed that Her Majesty The Queen had agreed to the appointment of General Peter Cosgrove AC MC as Governor-General?	Written	11/4/14	15/5/14

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241.	OOSGG	Wong	Governor-General Designate	What support has the Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General provided to the Governor-General Designate to date? What, if any, costs have been incurred?	Written	11/4/14	15/5/14
242.	OOSGG	Wong	Recommendation on termination of secretaries	Why did the Official Secretary not answer question on notice 212 from the Supplementary Budget Estimates round? On what date did the Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General receive draft and/or final recommendations from the Office of the Prime Minister or the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet concerning the termination of departmental secretaries which were announced on 18 September 2013? Who provided the draft and/or final recommendations?	Written	11/4/14	15/5/14
243.	OOSGG	Wong	Executive Council	On what date were papers associated with the Executive Council meeting on 18 September 2013 transmitted from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet to the Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General?	Written	11/4/14	15/5/14

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244.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Moore	Not-for-Profit	Is there still a commitment to improve the relationship between government and NFPs from PM&C? If so, how is this being implemented and monitored?	Written	14/5/14	
245.	Prime	McLucas	Housing	A target of 20 per cent Indigenous employment has been set for this	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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	Minister & Cabinet			program. Please provide the latest Indigenous and non-Indigenous employment figures for the program roll out. Is the employment target being met?			
246.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	McKenzie	Indigenous Land Corporation – auspicing arrangements	<p>Senator McKENZIE: When was the board made aware of the change in auspicing arrangements?</p> <p>Mr Dillon: Which board—the NCIE Board or the ILC Board?</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: ILC.</p> <p>Mr Dillon: I would have to take that on notice. It was probably around that time.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: Before or after the—</p> <p>Mr Dillon: Before.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: It was made aware before—</p> <p>Mr Dillon: Yes; that is my understanding.</p> <p>Senator McKENZIE: of the change in auspicing arrangements?</p> <p>Mr Dillon: I would like to check it. My understanding is that it was before, but I will check that for you.</p>	FPA, Friday 28 February 2014, page 30 & 31	14/5/14	26/6/14
247.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Bernardi	Travel	In relation to the former government, how many Ministers travelled First Class for overseas trips in 2012/13? What was the total cost of these trips by Minister and destination?	Written	14/5/14	
248.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Wong	G20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As chair of the 2014 G20 will Australia be pushing a strong agenda for this forum? • What progress has been made on planning and building this agenda? • Will climate change be on the agenda in Brisbane? 	Written	14/5/14	
249.	Prime Minister & Cabinet	Singh	Inter-Country Adoption Advisory Group	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the cost of the interdepartmental committee? 2. What is the process of appointment of members to the interdepartmental committee? 3. Which stakeholders will be involved? 4. Who is being consulted by the interdepartmental committee? 5. How many submissions have been received about how to make the process of inter-country adoption easier? 6. Will the committee's findings been made public? 7. What outcomes have been set for the council? 8. Will the committee be implementing any of the recommendations from the 2005 Inquiry Report into Overseas Adoption? 	Written	14/5/14	
250.	Prime Minister &	Siewert	Ear health	What data underpins the biennial reporting on ear health in the Aboriginal Health Report?	Written	14/5/14	26/6/14

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