

**ESTIMATES 2007-08 — BUDGET ESTIMATES, MAY 2007**  
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QON No.	Department / agency	Senator	Hansard Reference	Question	Comments
<b>MONDAY 21 MAY 2007</b>					
1.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 69-70	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—So what are the total travel costs for the task force likely to be over the financial year?</p> <p><b>Mr Harper</b>—I do not have a forward projection. It is in the order of \$3.1 million for this financial year.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—That is just for task force members?</p> <p><b>Mr Harper</b>—The same logic applies. It also includes Comcar drivers and host department liaison officers where applicable.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—And that is their travel costs and TA, effectively, is it—accommodation and meals? Or is that separate?</p> <p><b>Mr Harper</b>—I think that is separate. I would have to check that.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—And you are able to get me the costs, on notice, for those other categories such as accommodation and meals et cetera for the year? You do not have those with you now?</p> <p><b>Mr Harper</b>—No, I do not. But, yes, we could take that on notice.</p>	<p>Answer received 3/07/07</p> <p>*resource issues</p>
2.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 70-71	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—...Now, as I have mentioned in relation to our discussion about the Canberra meeting, that does not include the travel and accommodation, airfares and apartments for drivers who had to come interstate.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Can you take those costs on notice for me?..</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—No, I said that is not what I am asking you for. I was asking you for the costs associated with each of the meetings. You have given me the transport costs. You are telling me that you account for the accommodation, meals and other costs associated with the event in a separate budget item, separate from transport. I am asking you what the costs of those were.</p>	<p>Answer received 3/07/07</p>

				<b>Mr Henderson</b> —All right.	
3.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 71	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—...Do you have a rough idea of the numbers at these various meetings? I know you said you had 1,000 at the Canberra meeting. Are the others as big? What sort of numbers are we talking about at the other meetings?</p> <p><b>Mr Henderson</b>—Do you mean ministers and delegates who attended them?</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Mr Henderson</b>—I do not have those numbers ready to hand, but we could get those through our accreditation system. We will take that on notice.</p>	Answer received 6/07/07
4.	PMC	FAULKNER	F&PA 79	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—How many separate clothing designers or manufacturers have you gone to to provide these designs to Mr and Mrs Howard?</p> <p><b>Mr Henderson</b>—I would have to check. At the very beginning I am not sure. The field is narrowing down as we hone the finished product.</p>	Answer received 3/07/07
5.	PMC	ALLISON	F&PA 83	<p><b>Senator ALLISON</b>—Yes. My question is about the progress on the 100 projects committed by AP6 so far. I am actually looking for a breakdown, if it is possible, of one of those projects into different sectors—energy sectors, solar projects, clean coal and forestry. Is it possible to do that?</p> <p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—I will have to take that on notice. I do not have the detail here with me. The AP6 deals with the clean coal and the energy technologies. It does not cover the forest issue. Are you talking about the new forest initiative announced by the government?</p> <p><b>Senator ALLISON</b>—Is that part of AP6?</p> <p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—AP6 covers technology issues. It deals with energy technology primarily.</p> <p><b>Senator ALLISON</b>—Does that cover the agreement with Indonesia on the forestry project? Is that APEC and not AP6?</p> <p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—The forestry initiative that was announced by the government about a month ago is not part of the AP6 initiative, which has been underway now for about 18 months. On the AP6 initiative, I can provide the detailed breakdown on notice.</p>	Answer received 15/08/07

6.	PMC	ALLISON	F&PA 84	<p><b>Senator ALLISON</b>—If the objectives were not abatement, what were they?</p> <p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—I think you will have to go back to the original announcement of AP6. I do not have it with me, but we can certainly provide you with the original announcement which will run through all those. That was about 18 months ago.</p>	Answer received 15/08/07
7.	GG	WONG	F&PA 88	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—So it is expenditure in the current budget years, but it is not identified anywhere in your office’s budget statements, as I can see, for example 2006-07.</p> <p><b>Mr Hazell</b>—Senator, can I just repeat what I mentioned to you. This was a new policy proposal in the 2005-06 and 2006-07 budgets, and that is where the statements would be found.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—That would be the budget appropriation for this expenditure. Is that correct? But there is no reference that I can see anywhere in here to this kind of capital expenditure out of your office in any of the statements that are filed in the PBS...</p> <p><b>Mr Hazell</b>—It is a capital injection, Senator. Let me take that on notice and I will try to refer you to it.</p>	Answer received 08/01/08
8.	GG	WONG	F&PA 92	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Are you able to do two things for me; one is to update PM71 in the same terms? I can sit here and ask you the same questions I asked in respect of capital works for maintenance, but are you able to give me those on notice? For, say, 2005-06, 2006-07 through to the outer years of the current budget forward estimates period, could you provide me with the annual allocation for maintenance?</p> <p><b>Mr Hazell</b>—Yes, Senator.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Thank you. Perhaps the same in respect of acquisitions and contracted services?</p> <p><b>Mr Hazell</b>—Certainly.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—So they are the three components. If you could update PM71 and then provide on notice over the period 2005-06 to 2010-11, which is I think is where you gave it to me in respect of capital works, the budgets in respect of maintenance, acquisitions and contracted services.</p> <p><b>Mr Hazell</b>—I will do that, Senator.</p>	Answer received 08/01/08

				<b>Senator WONG</b> —I appreciate that. Thank you.	
9.	PMC	WONG	F&PA 93	<p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—The formal records were passed to the Department of the Environment and Water Resources. We possibly kept some records, but we would not necessarily have had a full set of records from that time.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—How many informal records have you still got?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I do not know; I would have to check. The formal files with the full collection of papers were passed over to the Department of the Environment and Water Resources along with all the staff.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—How many files were there?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I do not know; I could check that for you. Can I take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—No. Are you able to come back later tonight or can we deal with it tomorrow?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—We might be able to deal with it tomorrow.</p>	<p>This issue was not resolved at the hearing as indicated.</p> <p>Answered 15/02/08</p>
10.	PMC	WONG	F&PA 94	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Ms Goddard, on the last occasion you indicated to me—and I am reading from the <i>Hansard</i>:</p> <p>... PM&amp;C has for many years chaired a Commonwealth water policy group that has talked about water policy matters ... This announcement represents the culmination of many years of whole-of-government policy advice through that process.</p> <p>In the context of that answer on the previous occasion, did you transfer to DEW all documents associated with the many years of whole-of-government policy advice on water?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I will have to check, but I think it was mainly the more immediate documents around the \$10 billion plan.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Right. So, when the department of water was created—as opposed to the office in PM&amp;C; when that was shifted over—is it your evidence that you transferred only documents associated with the \$10 billion announcement?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I will have to check exactly what we transferred. We may only be able to give you information on the files that we retained. It might be that only DEW can give you information on the files that were transferred...</p>	<p>Answered 15/02/08</p>

				<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Okay. But you are able to tell me what you hold?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—We will check if we can tell you what files we retained in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.</p>	
11.	PMC	WONG	F&PA 96	<p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—Well, I indicated that the schedule finished on 16 January—</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—and the announcement was on 25 January, so it stands to reason there were some more documents in that intervening period.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—So how many documents were there between the 16th and the 25th?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I do not know, Senator. I have not checked.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—They were yours.</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—They have gone to the Office of Water Resources in the Department of the Environment and Water Resources.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Okay. So you will come back to me with some indication of the range of documents held by PM&amp;C?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I think what we said was the titles of the files that were transferred—</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—Of the files that were retained.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—and retained.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Perhaps we could have both.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—We might not be able to give you the titles of the files that were transferred; we will see if our systems have that. It might be that only the department of the environment has that.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—We have got somebody checking what we can do, as quickly as possible.</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—We will check what we can do.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Thank you very much.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
12.	PMC	FAULKNER	F&PA 97	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—What did Senator Santoro tender his resignation from? Was it the ministry and the Federal Executive Council or just the ministry? I</p>	Answer received

				<p>appreciate what you say about the press release.</p> <p><b>Ms Belcher</b>—I would need to check but I think the resignation was from both.</p>	3/07/07
13.	PMC	FAULKNER	F&PA 97-98	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Yes, and I accept your evidence. Senator Santoro made two actions—resigning from both the ministry and the Federal Executive Council by announcing it in the press release and resigning by letter—but the Prime Minister only acted on one of Senator Santoro’s requests, or actions, which is a resignation. I used the word ‘unusual’. It may be unprecedented. I find it quite remarkable that Senator Santoro has resigned from a position—as a member of the Federal Executive Council—and it is not accepted by the Prime Minister. Do we know why?...</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—I do not know that she [Ms Belcher] should necessarily be assumed to know what was in the Prime Minister’s mind as to what recommendation he was to make to the Governor-General when he wrote or communicated with the Governor-General. That is a matter for the Prime Minister. As I say, I was not involved in that. But let me posit the proposition that perhaps former Senator Santoro was mistakenly of the view that to give effect to his resignation from the ministry he had to formally offer his resignation from the Executive Council, that he was mistaken in thinking that his resignation from the ministry required such a proposition and that, given that his intention clearly was to resign from the ministry, that was what was recommended to the Governor-General to accept. I am happy to find out for you, if you like, because I honestly was not aware of this. I would suggest, and common sense would suggest, that that is probably what occurred.</p>	<p>Answer received 3/07/07</p>
14.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 100	<p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—We will just see if we can find someone who is more across this, Senator. I am sorry, we have not got the person here to answer the question. Your question is: why has there been a big increase in media monitoring costs in the portfolio?</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Yes, and what the costs will be for this year coming et cetera.</p>	<p>Answered 15/02/08</p>
15.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA103	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Are you likely to meet the insurance costs on the shipping as well?</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—I will have to take that on notice.</p>	<p>Answer received 18/07/07</p>

16.	PMC	FAULKNER	F&PA 107	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—At any stage was advice sought about this payment from the legal branch in the department?</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—Again, I am not 99 per cent confident; I will have to double-check that the answer is no.</p>	Answer received 3/07/07
17.	PMC	FAULKNER	F&PA 107-108	<p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—...We have a cabinet decision to make a grant, we undertook a process to look at how that might be made, we came up with the amount of \$250,000 and that money was paid. Throughout that process there was this process of consultation to work it through.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—What was that consultation about?</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—About the appropriate means of paying the moneys.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—At what stage of the process was that sought?</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—Again, Senator, are you looking for a date or a concept here? I am not quite certain what the question is after.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—I would prefer a date but I do not think you are going to give me a date, so let us try a concept and see how we go.</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—I am very happy to give you a date; I just do not have it with me.</p>	Answer received 3/07/07
18.	PMC	MURRAY	F&PA 113-114	<p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—I guess you could cut across it that way. The costs will be for the transport of the coach. I am not trying to split hairs. That is in the sense that the additional thing that we have undertaken is to meet the costs of the transport of the coach, and our envelope for that is \$350,000, of which \$250,000 has been expended.</p> <p><b>Senator MURRAY</b>—Does that include insurance?</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—I do not know whether that has been discussed yet.</p> <p><b>Senator MURRAY</b>—So insurance could be extra?</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—It would depend on how transport was covered. Again, I would have to check that.</p>	Answer received 3/07/07
19.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 113-114	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Did Mr Frecklington's letter request support for the cost of transportation?</p>	Answer received 3/07/07

				<b>Dr Morauta</b> —We will have to take that on notice, Senator.	
20.	PMC	FAULKNER	F&PA 116	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Did Senator Vanstone’s appointment go to cabinet? Isn’t it right that some of these diplomatic appointments do and some don’t?...</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—That is a diplomatic appointment and I can come back to you on that.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
21.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 119	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—What is the nature of the time commitment to Mr McClintock?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I would have to check what our estimates are based on, but a number of referrals were made to the COAG Reform Council at COAG meeting on 13 April. It is hard to estimate, but it is probably a few days a month or something of that order.</p>	Answer received 18/07/07
22.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 119-120	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Were those appointments taken to cabinet?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I do not know. I would have to check.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Perhaps you could take that on notice for me. In terms of the process, are they just made by the minister or would they have to be cleared with the Prime Minister?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I think that those ones could be made by the minister, but do not hold me to that. I need to double-check that. It was probably the minister for industry and the minister for the environment jointly.</p>	Answered 31/07/07
23.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 120	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—I will not ask you when he was appointed to that, but could you take advice on whether PM&amp;C was consulted or involved in that appointment? When was he formally appointed as chairman of COAG?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—The COAG Reform Council?</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I would have to check the exact date, but I think the Prime Minister advised the states in December last year that he was planning to appoint Mr McClintock to that role.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—So Mr McClintock was appointed to the position of Chairman of the COAG Reform Council around December 2006?</p>	Answer received 18/07/07



				<p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—That is right.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—If you find the date and you want to provide it, that is fine; if not, we will just take it as around December 2006. Do we know when he was formally appointed as Chairman of Medibank Private?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I do not know. The minister may know. I think it was fairly recently.</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—I can get you the date, but I think it was in March.</p>	
24.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 120	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—What did he get [paid] as Chairman of Medibank Private, Senator Minchin?</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—I cannot tell you off the top of my head. I am happy to give you that.</p>	Answer received 18/07/07
25.	PMC	FAULKNER	F&PA 121	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—While we are dealing with the issue of appointments, is the position of chairman of the AIDC a cabinet appointment? Could someone help me with that, please? I appreciate it is not obviously a Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio issue. I am asking here in relation to whether the appointment went to cabinet; as simple as that.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I think we will have to take it on notice. I do not have anybody here who can recall that.</p>	Answer received 18/07/07
26.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 121	<p><b>Mr Lewis</b>—I recall that Mr Mackelmann, the father, wrote to the Prime Minister on the matter. I will need to confirm that, but I am fairly confident the correspondence was between Mr Mackelmann and the Prime Minister.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—If you could please give me the date of that correspondence and confirm that that was how the matter began.</p>	Answer received 18/07/07
27.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 125	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Yes, I know what he had said but I am just confirming that there was a cabinet decision.</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—The statement was following cabinet’s consideration of the matter.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—And when did cabinet make that decision?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—We have not got the dates here, but it would have b-een probably some time in March, I suspect.</p>	Answered 060707

				<p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—I do not have the dates either.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—You could take that on notice for me.</p>	
28.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 125	<p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—The IDC has not met since it originally got all the work underway. It is meeting again soon, so we will soon get a catch-up on where the various working groups are going.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—So it has met once since the Prime Minister’s announcement?</p> <p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—I would have to check on that. It met at least once; it may have met twice.</p>	Answer received 6/07/07
29.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 127	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—The language is quite different there. The Prime Minister uses the word ‘immediately’. Someone expects the time frame on that to be short as well. Regarding ‘commitment to Australia’s participation in the Generation IV advanced nuclear reactor research program’, what is the nature of that commitment? Who is providing the lead on that?</p> <p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—I would have to check. I could get back to you first thing in the morning. I am pretty sure it is DEST, but I would need to check on that and give you some details on the nature of the commitment.</p>	Answer received 15/08/07
30.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 128	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—But you do not know whether we made a decision on that financial contribution?</p> <p><b>Dr Dickson</b>—No, I do not. I can very quickly confirm and get back to you in the morning.</p>	<p>This issue was not resolved at the hearing as indicated.</p> <p>Answered 31/07/07</p>
31.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 129	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Had you briefed the Prime Minister on establishing an inquiry into carbon trading before you became aware of that proposal?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I would have to check that, but I do not think so. I think the Prime Minister decided to establish it and that is when we became aware of it.</p>	Answer received 6/07/07
32.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 131	<p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—Yes, the purpose of the travel was to seek views on what would constitute a workable global emissions trading system and to gather information on existing schemes.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Are we able to get a list of who they met with?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—We would have to take that question on notice. We do not have</p>	Answer received 6/07/07

				that information here.	
33.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 131	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Are we able to get a list of who they met during their Australian consultations?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I will ask for that.</p>	Answer received 6/07/07
34.	PMC	EVANS	F&PA 132-133	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Who did the modelling for them?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I do not know who did the modelling for them but I understand they have commissioned some modelling relevant to their terms of reference.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—You would have had to have paid for it so surely you know?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I have not got those details.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—You do not know, you have not got them or you do not want to tell me?</p> <p><b>Ms Goddard</b>—I do not know, Senator. I can take it on notice...</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Could you take on notice for me who did the modelling and at what cost? We will await the report as to the content of the modelling.</p>	Answered on F&PA96-97 on 22/5/07.
<b>TUESDAY 22 MAY 2007</b>					
35.	APSC	Wong	F&PA 4	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—With whom is the negotiation regarding those transition arrangements?</p> <p><b>Ms Tarjan</b>—I am not sure about that because we do not get involved in those issues; we just do the transfer from a legislative basis, so I would like to take that on notice.</p>	Answer received 02/07/07
36.	APSC	Wong	F&PA 4	<p><b>Ms Tacy</b>—There is a booklet on machinery of government changes to advise departments. What happens in each particular case may vary depending on the losing and the winning agencies' industrial arrangements—whether they are AWAs, collective agreements, collective agreements reached with trade unions, or collective agreements reached directly with employees—but there are also provisions in the Public Service Act that are relevant in terms of the capacity of agencies to maintain salaries.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—What are the relevant provisions in the Public Service Act? I</p>	Answer received 22/05/07  Additional information received 06/06/07

				am happy for you to take that on notice. Can you do that? <b>Ms Tarjan</b> —Yes.	
37.	APSC	Wong	F&PA 11-12	<b>Senator WONG</b> —Can you tell me what staff activities, such as retreats et cetera, have taken place in the financial year to date? <b>Ms Briggs</b> —Sorry; I misunderstood your question. We had a couple of SES planning days in Sydney earlier this year, in February. I would have to check the number of planning days that our various groups have had but I can take that on notice and get it back to you... <b>Senator WONG</b> —Do you have the total cost of that event? <b>Ms Briggs</b> —I do not have it with me but I am happy to get that to you. <b>Senator WONG</b> —Are you able to break that down into, for example, venue hire, accommodation and meals? <b>Ms Briggs</b> —Yes.	Answer received 22/05/07
38.	APSC	Wong	F&PA 12-13	<b>Senator WONG</b> —When was the decision made to move? <b>Ms Briggs</b> —I believe it was last year. I would have to check the exact date of that for you. <b>Senator WONG</b> —Last year? <b>Ms Briggs</b> —October. <b>Senator WONG</b> —October 2006? <b>Ms Briggs</b> —Yes.	Answer received 22/05/07
39.	APSC	Wong	F&PA 13	<b>Senator WONG</b> —I want to know what sort of painting or other redecoration occurred in the Edmund Barton Building subsequent to that decision being made. <b>Ms Briggs</b> —I do not believe there was any, but we will check that.	Answer received 22/05/07
40.	APSC	Wong	F&PA 13	<b>Senator WONG</b> —Does the commission utilise the services of professional photographers at all? <b>Ms Briggs</b> —Yes, we do. <b>Senator WONG</b> —In relation to what?	Part answer received 22/05/07  Answered

				<p><b>Ms Briggs</b>—For various functions that we have. Also, members of the executive have had photographs taken because we are frequently called upon to give photographs for conferences and things where we are speaking and they want to know what we look like. But the most usual arrangement is that, when we have a launch or something, we tend to have a photographer there to record the day.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Is there a budget line item for this cost? What does it come out of—operating expenses?</p> <p><b>Ms Fisher</b>—There is not a separate line item for that.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Are you able to tell me costs to date in this current financial year?</p> <p><b>Ms Fisher</b>—Not off the top of my head, no. I would have to take that on notice.</p>	02/07/07
41.	APSC	Wong	F&PA 13	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Were there any other costs associated with the photoshoot?</p> <p><b>Ms Briggs</b>—The second one, absolutely. My make-up and hair were done, as I recall.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Was anyone else's?</p> <p><b>Ms Briggs</b>—No, I do not believe so.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—No other SES staff? Was it just you?</p> <p><b>Ms Briggs</b>—No.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—So that was for make-up and hair.</p> <p><b>Ms Briggs</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Presumably on notice you can give me the cost of that.</p>	Answer received 02/07/07
42.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 18	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Has any official of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet received one-on-one issues based estimates training before this estimates round?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Again, I would need to take that on notice and check it out. There are different types of programs. I do not know which programs were used this time.</p>	Answered on F&PA62 on 22/5/07.
43.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 18-19	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—How long have the members of the MCGC that you identified been on this? I know Mr Nutt has been on there for some time.</p>	Answer received

				<p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—How long have these individual members—</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Mr Nairn, Mr Smith, Mr Robb, Ms Ley—</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I do not have that information with me. It would vary depending upon the individual member.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Who is the most recent appointment?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—We will have to take that on notice.</p>	15/08/07
44.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 19	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—...Mr McMahon, do you have a similar tabulation of campaigns that have been undertaken this calendar year but have now concluded? The document that has been tabled identifies 18 active campaigns. I am now asking whether you have a document that goes to those campaigns that have concluded either in this calendar year or in this financial year?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—Not in that form. We provide information about campaigns that are active, and that is the table that you have before you.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Yes, but we also sometimes speak of campaigns that have been concluded. For example, a range of campaigns may well have concluded between the end of the last estimates round and the commencement of this estimates round. That just gives you an example of one possible period.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Just off the top of my head, and without having a tabulation of this, if I compare PM68 to what we have now, it looks to me as though quite a number of the elements of the answer to 68 are actually concluded campaigns. I am sure that it would take very little time to confirm for you which of the ones in PM68 have concluded and go through those. I am not sure it is a good idea for me to try this off the top of my head.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—I accept that. If that could be done—</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Yes, we can do that immediately.</p>	<p>This issue was not resolved at the hearing as indicated.</p> <p>Answer received 15/08/07</p>
45.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 20	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—In my recollection of my questions in another committee about that, a second batch of advertising post-March was proposed in relation to that campaign. Could you confirm that?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—It looks to me as though it is not running, because it is not on the current running list and it was on that list that we put in PM68. I think the most likely answer is that the support the system campaign has finished, but we will double-check for you.</p>	Answer received 6/07/07

46.	PMC	Evans/Wong	F&PA 21	<p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—Phase 2 of drought assistance runs from December 2006 to June 2007.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—That is different from what we said here.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—In February you said it was going to run until April.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—It is reported as still running.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I think that was the position as at February, but it is now running until June this year.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—When was the decision made to continue the campaign?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I do not know.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—We can take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Was the decision made at the MCGC level?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I cannot recall. Media plans are approved by the MCGC.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Perhaps after morning tea you might get some information about this issue and the time frame around the decision to extend that campaign.</p>	Answer received 3/07/07
47.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 22	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Yes. I am asking what the expenditure to date is.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I do not have that figure.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Do you have them in relation to any of the campaigns?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—No.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Can you get them over the break?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—We could look to get them.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—For the 18 active ones?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—Yes, we could look to get them.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Thank you.</p>	This issue was not resolved at the hearing as indicated.  Answered 15/02/08
48.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 26	<p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—That is correct. This is the total across the Commonwealth, including Commonwealth companies, the Northern Territory and ACT governments, Australia Post and Meat and Livestock Australia. For the financial year to date, for non-campaign advertising, the figure is \$34,345,000.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Are you able to table a document which lists details of that</p>	Answer received 18/07/07

				<p>expenditure and what advertising that relates to?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I do not think we have that with us.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—No, I do not have that.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—We could certainly look into it for you.</p>	
49.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 26	<p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—When you say the categories, do you mean the departments that fall under that?</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—If that is how you allocate the information.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—Yes. It is all Commonwealth departments and agencies.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—I want the spend per department, Mr McMahon.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I see.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Do you have a document you could table?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—No, I do not think we do.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—But we can certainly get that information for you.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Can we come back to that later today?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—We can certainly get people working on that for you.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Thank you.</p>	Answer received 6/07/07
50.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 29	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—What about the Telecommunications Safeguards campaign?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I do not have the specific dates on that.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—We can get them for you.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Isn't your Telecommunications Safeguards guide being mailed to 3.1 million households in rural and regional Australia during May and June? Are you aware of this?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—We might come back on that.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—As I understand it, this includes both TV ads and the mail-out of a brochure. I would appreciate you coming back to me on that as soon as you can.</p>	Answer received 3/07/07
51.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 34-	<p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I can recall that we placed advertisements for eligibility for LPG</p>	Answer



			35	<p>conversion grants...</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Are you able to give me the amount of those advertisements.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—No, I am not.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—You can take that on notice, yes?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—Certainly.</p>	received 6/07/07
52.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 35 and 60	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—You have said quite clearly, Mr McMahon, that there was discussion and consultation with the PMO—the Prime Minister’s office—on the text of this advertisement.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—That is correct.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—I am asking about the detail of that.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I cannot recall what the mechanism of those discussions was.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Are you able to refresh your memory by talking to someone who was involved in it? We are talking less than a month ago.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Why don’t we take on notice the question about process and we will work through it in detail and give it to you, Senator? It sounds like the officer may need to look at records et cetera...</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—No, but I gave you notice earlier today that I would be coming back to this to find out the process. What was the involvement of the Prime Minister’s office in the drafting of the so-called non-campaign advertising?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I would like to take that on notice, if I may. I do not have the information.</p>	Answer received 3/07/07
53.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 36	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Did you receive an instruction not to use the phrase ‘Work Choices’ in the ad?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I cannot recall.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Surely you can recall whether you received that instruction?</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—He said no. We will take it on notice.</p>	Answer received 6/07/07
54.	PMC	Murray	F&PA 37	<p><b>Senator MURRAY</b>—Perhaps I should switch to Dr Morauta, since you referred to</p>	Answer

				<p>going back to records. Is there a paper trail where one would normally be kept? I am not referring, obviously, to conversations and that sort of thing, but file notes, email records, documents and so on with respect to this area.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I cannot answer for the specific thing because I have not had a look at this. We took some questions on notice to give us an opportunity to see what we did have on record in case that would help us to answer the questions that have been put to us.</p> <p><b>Senator MURRAY</b>—Are you saying there are no paper records?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—No, I am saying I really have no knowledge of what records are in the department around this, but it seemed to me a wise thing to go and look at that in order to be able to assist the senators with their questions.</p>	received 6/07/07
55.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 41	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—And you cannot recall whether last Wednesday they approved a budget for the creative component—</p> <p><b>Mr McMahan</b>—They do not approve budgets. I said that they were provided with a budget. Departments craft the budgets within their overall communications float.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—So you are not able to help us with whether, at the meeting last Wednesday, you and the other members of the committee were provided with that information.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahan</b>—I cannot remember, but I am happy to ask one of my colleagues to check whether or not that was the case.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—And whether you have information as to the global costs that have been budgeted for those items.</p>	Answer received 6/07/07
56.	PMC	Wong	F&PA61	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—How many competitor tenderers were there in relation to the Whybin TWA contract?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahan</b>—There were two.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Including the successful tenderer?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahan</b>—Yes, that is correct.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—So one out of two?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahan</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—When was that tender called for?</p>	Answer received 6/07/07

				<p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I do not have that information to hand.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Who would have that information?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—It will be in the department.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—It is DEWR or you?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—We could take it on notice and come back to you.</p>	
57.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 63	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—... Who then, Minister, is the officer?</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—You can ask but we have already said that we are not going to identify which officers had what training. I think it is unfair to name them.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Can you take that question on notice?</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—I will take it on notice but I cannot promise you that I will get you an answer.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—No. But I have asked you if you would take it on notice; and, if an answer is not provided for that, perhaps an explanation could be provided instead as to why it is not provided.</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—Sure. I am happy to do that.</p>	<p>Answer received 3/07/07</p> <p>*confidentiality issues</p>
58.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 64	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—So since August 2006 has there been any scrutiny of a formal evaluation of the Work Choices campaign by the committee?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I would like to take that on notice, if I may.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Is that because you do not know?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—Yes, that is correct.</p>	<p>Answer received 6/07/07</p>
59.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 66	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—... what was the target for a media buy of \$4 million in six days?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I do not have that information to hand.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Perhaps you could see if anyone at the back of the room or at the office can help us. Maybe we will come back to that in a few minutes...</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—We are having it tracked now.</p>	<p>Answer received 19/07/07</p>

				<b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b> —Thank you.	
60.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 67	<p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—The GCU does not run campaigns; departments do. We facilitate them through the MCGC process and we hold the contracts for the central advertising system with Universal McCann and hma Blaze, so I am quite able to talk about those sorts of arrangements. But until a campaign commences in the media it is an internal working project on the part of the department, and I do not feel I am in a position to comment on them.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Who came up with this extraordinary definition about a campaign commencing when the first ad goes to air?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—That is consistent with the evidence we have given in the past.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—It is consistent. It has been consistently criticised by me, too. So it is consistent on both counts. How did that definition come into being?</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—I do not think Mr McMahon is in a position to give you the origins of it.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Do you know?</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—I do not know but we can take it on notice, if you like. It may well be a practice that goes back a very long time.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
61.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 73	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Can you tell me what the total amount paid to Universal McCann is to date, in 2006-07—bonuses and base amount?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—No, I do not have that with me. But I can get it for you.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Is any proportion of their remuneration related to the quantity of media buy?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—As I understand it, no; it is about the rates they get and the savings.</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—The monthly retainer is a monthly payment made irrespective of the amount that they place.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Is there any aspect of their remuneration which is related to the quantity of media buy?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—I think when we come back to you with the specifics on the amounts I might like to come back on that particular aspect. I do not know.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—On the surface, from what I have in front of me, it looks like it, but</p>	Answer received 6/07/07

				we need to check it.	
62.	PMC	Wong	F&PA 73	<p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Was there a request for tender?</p> <p><b>Mr McMahon</b>—Yes, that is correct.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I think what happened here was that there was a request for tender back in 2002 and a contract was entered into with them in 2002. The contract provided an option to extend for a period of up to two years, and this current contract is that extension of two years.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Did the request for tender indicate the scope of the advertising?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I do not have information on that here.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Is there anything in the contract which relates to how much advertising there will be?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Again we will check on the amount—the volume of advertising.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Are you able to provide us with a copy of the contract?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I will certainly inquire about that. I am not positive about the rules around this, but we can certainly give you more of a description than I have given you now.</p> <p><b>Senator WONG</b>—Thank you very much, Chair.</p>	Answer received 3/07/07
63.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 74	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—There is a story in today’s media that someone from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet contacted the Nine Network about one of the shows they run, <i>McLeod’s Daughters</i>, which had an AWA sequence on it. I wonder if you could confirm whether or not someone from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet in fact had contacted the Nine Network about that issue.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I have no way of confirming or denying that. It is the first I have heard of it.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—So you do not know?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—No.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Perhaps you could take that on notice for us.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Yes...</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Yes. So I can refer you to that: it is item 1 on the Crikey website. I am not suggesting that it is right. I merely want to confirm whether an</p>	Answered 15/02/08

				official of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet in fact contacted Channel 9 about this particular matter. And, given that the matter has been taken on notice, Minister, you could perhaps also take on notice whether, if it was not an official of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, was it a member of staff in the Prime Minister's office?	
64.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 77	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—...Are you able to disaggregate that \$30,285.45? You said that it was for the main bathroom and two ensuite bathrooms.</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I think I would need to take on notice at this stage the disaggregation of that figure.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
65.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 77	<p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I think it might be an issue of terminology. You are talking about the principal bathroom back then. I think that might actually have been the master bedroom ensuite. The main bathroom certainly had not been refurbished. I am going to have to take it on notice. I was not in the department back in 2000 and I will need to have a look at the evidence and work out exactly which bathroom was refurbished...</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—I think you will have to check and provide some information on the three bathrooms that were refurbished between June 2006 and October 2006 at a cost of \$30,285. What was the bathroom that had the refurbishment done at the time of the relocation of the staircase at \$125,127? What is the interface between these two? Why did the need for it occur?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I can take that on notice.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
66.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 79	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Why is it believed now... that a wine consultant is not required? Is it because perhaps the residents of Kirribilli House are considered expert enough themselves in this art of wine tasting? I do not know. What is the reason? Why was a wine consultant required previously but is not required now?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—All the wine that was selected by the wine consultant has actually been guzzled now, hasn't it?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I do not think we could answer that today. We would have to take that on notice.</p>	Answered 15/02/08

67.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 80	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—This seems to indicate a pattern—that there has been a little more imbibing going on in the current financial year, because the figures to 30 April were significantly higher than the consumption for the three previous full financial years. Is that right?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—That is correct.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—What is going on there, do you think, in the official establishment? There might be a reason for it. You might be able to explain that massive increase.</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I expect trying to explain it at this stage would be speculation. I would need to take that on notice and check some facts.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
68.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 82	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—As I said, it is not longstanding practice. This information was provided in 2003, and I would request that it be provided for the Christmas party held at Kirribilli House in 2006.</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—The general rule is that that is not provided, but we will take note of your request.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Why can the number of guests who attended the function not be provided for the information of the public? What is so secret about the number of guests who attend these functions?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—It has not been the practice to release that information either.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—I am asking the minister: why the lack of transparency in relation to the number of guests?</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—All I can do is repeat what has been said to you: the general practice is not to provide details of these particular functions, either the cost or the number of guests, but we note your interest in obtaining that information.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—We know who some of them were because we read about it in the newspaper, as you would appreciate.</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—I cannot add to the answer, but I note your interest.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Why not front up with this information? What is the reason for not providing it?</p> <p><b>Senator Minchin</b>—Longstanding practice not to do so. We will take note of your</p>	Answered 15/02/08

				<p>interest in a particular reason and see if we can supply you with an answer.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—I would be interested in how many people went, which I am surprised cannot be provided, who in fact they were and how much wine and champagne was consumed. Most importantly, what was the cost to the taxpayer? Why cannot that information be provided in the interests of accountability and transparency?</p>	
69.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 82 and 86	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—...Are you able to tell me on how many occasions the Prime Minister has provided reimbursement for functions which were essentially of a private or family nature?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I do not have that information with me, but we could provide it...</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Can I just make clear that you are going to take on notice for me the occasions on which the Prime Minister has made reimbursement for private functions—the dates and the costs—in recent years. Is that our common understanding?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—We will agree to take on notice how many times he has reimbursed for costs of a private nature relating to functions. I would need to check further, but I am not entirely sure that we would disclose how much he has reimbursed.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Why not?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—It is a private personal cost of the Prime Minister's if he has met the full cost of the activity.</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Let us take it away and find out about how we should handle this. I am not sure myself.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
70.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 86	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—As I understand it, there are guidelines around these things. I do not know where one finds them. I know in answers to a few of the questions on notice you have referred to guidelines. Where are these sorts of guidelines contained? Are they just internal PM&amp;C type things?</p> <p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—I am sorry; I am not in an area in which I have a lot of knowledge. We will take it on notice.</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I think we will take it on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—As to whether there are guidelines or not?</p>	Answered 15/02/08



				<p><b>Dr Morauta</b>—Yes, on the reimbursement matter.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—I was not particularly talking about guidelines in relation to the entertainment cost. In one of your answers it says that the functions are held in accordance with entitlements, and the Prime Minister personally meets the cost of any significant hospitality at the residence which is essentially of a private or family nature. It seems to me, therefore, that you would have to have a definition of entitlements to find out what falls outside entitlements. I take it from that that there is some sort of guideline as to what the Prime Minister's entitlements are in terms of official entertainment at his two residences. While we are on the subject, although you will take those questions on notice for me, I would appreciate knowing the costs, if you are able to provide them.</p>	
71.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 83	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Do we know the date of the New Year's Eve one?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I assume it would have been 31 December.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Were some of the costs for that function paid for by Mr Howard or was that paid for by the taxpayer?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I would need to take that on notice.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
72.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 84	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—We know the total? That is not right. We know that, since 1 July 2003, \$108,880 has been spent on alcohol; what has been spent on food? You say there is total transparency; what has been spent on food? Can you help us with that, Ms Hazell?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I would need to take that on notice.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
73.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 85	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Are you able to indicate to the committee what categories of expenditure on the Official Establishments Trust are not included in that? I assume we know some, and it is fair to say the more major capital works are not included. I want to be clear on this: that is an assumption on my part. I think you had better confirm that for us.</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—It does include, I think you will find, capital works, bearing in mind that there has not been very much in the way of extensive capital works. I will need to double-check that.</p>	Answered 15/02/08

74.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 86	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Are you able to say whether, since 1 July 2005—to use the time period that you have provided information on—there have been any major changes to furniture or fittings in either the Lodge or Kirribilli House?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I need to take that on notice. I do not have details of what changes have been made during that period to the funds collection in those residences...</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I am advised that there have been no major changes of furniture and fittings during that time period, but I would like to take the question on notice to check that that is still the case—that I am correct on that one.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Thank you for that. Are there any changes that you would describe as minor that you are aware of and can report to us?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—Not that I am aware of. I would need to take that on notice as well.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—If you could take that on notice I would appreciate it.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
75.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 87	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—I have no problem with that. I was intrigued by it when looking through your answers to questions on notice and I came across it. Obviously, dependant children are part of the family and at some time they become non-dependent. How do you calculate this rate if it is not a nightly rate?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—It is reviewed regularly and adjusted in line with CPI.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—What is the rate?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I would have to take that on notice. I do not know what the current rate is. There is nobody living at the residences at the moment in this category.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—But the department has struck a rate?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I would have to take it on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Do you know who struck the rate?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I do not know exactly how the rate is calculated. It has been some time since the department has needed to use it.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—A calculation was made and then you indexed it by the CPI?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—The last time it was used that is what happened.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—When was the last time it was used?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—May 2006 is the last time it was used.</p>	Answered 15/02/08

				<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Was that when one of the kids was living there for an extended period?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—Yes, and that is when they departed.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—What were you charging at that time?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—We would need to take that on notice. I do not have that with me.</p>	
76.	PMC	Faulkner	F&PA 89	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—...What about energy use such as electricity?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I do not have with me figures on energy use at either residence. I would need to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—What about gas?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I do not have figures on gas usage for either residence.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—There are no other energy forms used, are there? There is only electricity and gas at the two residences, isn't there?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—That is correct.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Could you take on notice figures in relation to electricity and gas use at the Lodge and Kirribilli House from July 2003 to the current date—or 30 April 2007?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—And provide them on notice for us?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER</b>—Thanks. Just in relation to energy use, I suppose there are two elements to this: cost as well as quantum. Is that okay: cost and quantum? I think they are two different things.</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I can provide both.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
77.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 91	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Are we able to find the figure then for what we got charged—for what level of water consumption we got charged?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—No. I think we need to take that on notice.</p>	Answered 15/02/08
78.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 92	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—It was for 2005-06, so I presume this question of the</p>	Answered 15/02/08

				<p>bill got settled some time ago, did it?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—When was it settled?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—I would have to take on notice when we paid the bill.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—But it was not in recent months?</p> <p><b>Ms Hazell</b>—No.</p>	
79.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 94	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Why did it cost us \$3,000 a night for the Prime Minister in Ho Chi Minh City? It seems an extraordinary amount of money.</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—I would have to take it on notice to find out exactly why...</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Do you know how many nights he was in Ho Chi Minh City?</p> <p><b>Mr Borrowman</b>—Not off the top of my head, but I can find out for you and get back to you in a few minutes time.</p>	Answer received 18/07/07
80.	PMC	Evans	F&PA 100	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Thank you for that. I will have to ask Treasury about that in more detail. Have you briefed the Prime Minister on the incidence of school bullying?</p> <p><b>Ms Wilson</b>—I am afraid I do not have that information with me. I would have to take that on notice.</p>	Answer received 18/07/07
81.	ONA	Evans	F&PA 108	<p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—Have you done any major work on the regular reporting in addition to that?</p> <p><b>Mr Varghese</b>—We do what we call strategic assessments, which are more in-depth coverage. We do that reasonably—well, frequently would be the wrong word because of the nature of strategic assessments, but we have done several in relation to East Timor.</p> <p><b>Senator CHRIS EVANS</b>—When was the most recent you have done?</p> <p><b>Mr Varghese</b>—I would have to check the date and get back to you, but the most recent strategic assessment would probably be in the last fortnight or so.</p>	Answer received 13/02/08

82.	PMC	Siewert	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 6/07/07
83.	PMC	Siewert	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
84.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
85.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 3/07/07  *resource issues
86.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 6/07/07
87.	PMC/GG	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Points 1 and 2 will be answered by PM&C, points 3 and 4 GG  PMC Answer received 18/07/07  GG Answer received 08/01/08
88.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
89.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
90.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
91.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08

92.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 6/07/07
93.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
94.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 3/07/07
95.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
96.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 18/07/07
97.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 19/07/07
98.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 3/07/07
99.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
100.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
101.	PMC	Evans	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 15/08/07
102.	PMC	Wong	Written	Please see attachment below	Answered 15/02/08
103.	PMC	Wong	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 6/07/07
104.	PMC	Wong	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 3/07/07
105.	PMC	Wong	Written	Please see attachment below	Answer received 3/07/07

Please note that answers 1 - 105 are due by 6 July 2007.

## **Written QON**

### **PM 82 (SIEWERT)**

#### ***Nuclear Prohibitions***

On 28 April 2007, the Prime Minister announced a nuclear strategy called Uranium Mining and Nuclear Energy: A Way Forward for Australia. The strategy involves some immediate actions including “making a firm commitment to Australia’s participation in the Generation IV advanced nuclear reactor research programme” and tabling amendments to remove existing nuclear prohibitions.

#### **Question:**

1. Is the Government planning to introduce amendments to the *EPBC Act* and *ARPANS Act* to remove the nuclear prohibitions?
2. If so, when will these amendments be introduced into Parliament?

### **PM 83 (SIEWERT)**

#### ***Generation IV reactors***

#### **Questions:**

1. Has a commitment to Australia’s participation in the Generation IV advanced nuclear reactor research programme been made?
2. If yes to whom?
3. If no, when and how is such a commitment going to be made?
4. Will any commitment be made public?
5. Has an assessment been undertaken of the costs of Australia’s participation in any such research program?
6. Has an allocation been made for the research program in the Budget?
7. If so, how much over what time frame?
8. If not, how can the Government make such a commitment without foreshadowing the Budget implications?
9. Which agency or Department is responsible for carriage of this matter?
10. Which agency has / or will have carriage of this research development in Australia?
11. If actual dollars are allocated which is the likely program or agency to fund such research?
12. On what scientific basis is the Prime Minister’s announcement based?
13. Has an assessment of this technology been undertaken?
14. Has an assessment of the proliferation risks been undertaken?
15. In what ways is Australia involved in Generation IV reactors?
16. Will the Lucas Heights research facility be involved in the development of Generation IV reactors?

### **PM 84 (EVANS)**

#### ***Government Communications Unit***

1. Please provide a breakdown of all active advertising campaigns for 2006-07 coordinated by the GCU as at 30 May 2007, including:

- a) the name of each active campaign,
- b) the advertising department,
- c) the purpose,
- d) the dates of advertising activity, and
- e) the cost of media placement for each campaign.



2. Please provide a breakdown of any and all advertising campaigns that have been approved by the MCGC but for which no advertising material has been made public (i.e. gone to air, appearing in print). For each campaign, please indicate the nature of the campaign, the anticipated media spend and the anticipated dates over which the campaign will take place.

3. Please provide a breakdown of current staffing levels within the GCU as well as a breakdown of the public service grades of staff employed within the unit.

4. Please provide a breakdown of all travel expenses incurred by the GCU since figures were last supplied through the estimates process. Please breakdown the total travel spending as:

- a) air travel,
- b) ground transport, and
- c) accommodation, meals and incidentals.

Please also indicate the dates over which these total expenses were occurred.

## **PM 85 (EVANS)**

### ***APEC 2007 Taskforce***

1. Please indicate the total of spending on travel by taskforce staff since February 2007. Please provide a total figure as well as a breakdown by:

- a) international air travel,
- b) domestic air travel,
- c) ground transport,
- d) accommodation, means and incidentals.

2. What is the total cost to date for the Taskforce, separately identifying employee costs, capital/equipment purchased costs and other administrative costs. Please show both new expenses incurred since 31 January 2007 and total cumulative costs.

3. Please provide a breakdown of all expenditure items greater than \$10,000 for the categories 'other administration costs' and 'capital equipment purchased', should such costs have been incurred.

4. Please provide a breakdown of all expenditures greater than \$10,000 included under 'other administration costs' (expenditure since May 2006) in response to PM 45, part 6 from the October / November 2006 Estimates hearings.

5. Please provide a breakdown of all expenditures greater than \$10,000 included under 'capital equipment purchased' (expenditure since January 2007) in response to PM 69, part 4 from the February 2007 Estimates hearings.

6. Please provide details of current taskforce staffing levels, broken down by public service grade. For each category, please indicate the number of ongoing and non-ongoing staff.

## **PM 86 (EVANS)**

### ***Prime Minister's Overseas Travel***

1. Please refer to the response to question PM 70 from the February 2007 estimates hearings. Please provide the additional information for each response for which you were either 'awaiting advice from the Department of Finance and Administration', or awaiting 'accounts yet to be received'.

2. Please provide an updated response to that question, in relation to journeys subsequent to those listed in response to PM 70, February 2007. In addition to the figure for total accommodation costs for each trip, please indicate the total cost of the Prime Minister's accommodation (distinct from that of the party), as well as the name of the accommodation.

**PM 87 (EVANS)**

***Expenses of Current and Former Governors-General***

1. Please indicate the total costs of support incurred by Dr Peter Hollingworth since February 1 2007, broken down by:

- a) property operating expenses,
- b) staff,
- c) support, and
- d) travel.

2. Please provide details of any expenses over \$5000, paid for with public funds, incurred in facilities provided by the Commonwealth to former Governors-General since 1 July 2006. Please indicate the nature of the Expense, the cost and relevant former Governor-General.

3. Please provide a breakdown of the costs of any and all overseas visits by the Governor-General subsequent to those journeys described in response to PM 50 of the 2006-07 Supplementary Budget Hearings. For each journey please indicate, the dates, destinations, number in party, cost of air transport, cost of other transport, description (including name) of accommodation, total cost of accommodation for the party (excluding Their Excellencies), total cost of accommodation for Their Excellencies, meals/drinks and incidentals.

4. Please provide an itemised breakdown of all costs for capital works, maintenance, acquisitions and contracted services at and for the official residences of the Governor-General for the period since 1 July 2006.

**PM 88 (EVANS)**

***Official and State Visits***

Please refer to question PM 72 from the Additional Estimates Hearings February 2007 and provide updated response to that question, detailing visits subsequent to those described in that previous answer.

**PM 89 (EVANS)**

***Prime Minister's Official Residences and Entertainment***

1. Please refer to question PM 73 from the Additional Estimates Hearings, February 2007 and provide an updated response to that question, with an itemised breakdown of all capital works, maintenance, acquisitions and contracted services at The Lodge and Kirribilli House since 31 January 2007.

2. Please provide a breakdown of all entertainment costs paid for with public funds (including date, nature and purpose of event, and an itemised breakdown of goods and services purchased for the event, as well as total costs to the taxpayer) for all events of an official nature at The Lodge and Kirribilli House since 1 November 2006.

**PM 90 (EVANS)**

***In relation to Kirribilli***

Please refer to question PM 74 from the Additional Estimates Hearings, February 2007 and provide an updated response to part (a) of that question.

**PM 91 (EVANS)**

***In relation to the Lodge***

Please refer to question PM 74 from the Additional Estimates Hearings, February 2007 and provide an updated response to parts (a) and (g) of that question.

**PM 92 (EVANS)**

***Carbon emissions trading Task Group***

1. Further to their meeting of the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2007, how many times has the Task Group met? When?
2. Has the make up of the Task Group or the Secretariat to the Task Group, changed in any way since the implementation of the Task Group? If so, in what way?
3. Further to question PM 78 from the Additional Estimates Hearings, February 2007, **when** were the members of the Task Group first approached to join the group?

**PM 93 (EVANS)**

***Briefings on carbon emissions trading and climate change***

1. Can the Department provide a list of dates on which the Prime Minister was briefed on global carbon emissions trading since January 2006?
2. Can the Department provide a list of dates on which the Prime Minister was briefed on domestic carbon emissions trading since January 2006?
3. Can the Department provide a list of dates on which the Prime Minister was briefed on the link between carbon emissions and climate change since January 2006?
4. Did the Department brief the Prime Minister on the recently released IPCC Report which noted that it was almost certain that there is a link between human activity and climate change?
5. What other climate change related reports have the Department briefed the Prime Minister on since January 2006?
6. Can the Department provide a list of dates on which the Prime Minister was briefed on solar thermal technology since January 2006?

**PM 94 (EVANS)**

***Humanitarian Resettlement IDC***

Further to their meeting of the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2006, how many times has the IDC met? When? Where?

**PM 95 (EVANS)**

***Uranium Mining, Processing and Nuclear Energy Review***

1. Further to question PM 83 from the Additional Estimates Hearings, February 2007, parts 4 to 10.
2. Has the Department briefed the Prime Minister on options for the establishment of a nuclear energy sector in Australia? If so, when?
3. Has the Prime Minister been briefed on the issues that would need to be considered in determining where to site nuclear reactors in Australia?

4. Has the Prime Minister been briefed on likely sites for nuclear reactors in Australia?
5. Is the Department aware of any work by other agencies to determine suitable sites for nuclear reactors in Australia?
6. Has the Prime Minister been briefed on the likely timetable for establishing a nuclear industry in Australia?
7. Can the Department confirm whether the Prime Minister has ever visited a nuclear reactor overseas? If so, when and what reactor was visited?
8. Has the Prime met with any organisations involved in the development or construction of nuclear reactors in the last two years? If so, list the organisations and the date and location of the meetings?

**PM 96 (EVANS)**

***Economic and Industry Policy resourcing***

1. The PBS (page 24) notes that resourcing for Output Group 1 is projected to decrease from \$21.523 million to \$15.244 million between 2006-07 and 2007-08. What is the explanation for this decrease?
2. Please provide a full breakdown of how this decrease will be achieved.
3. What is the projected impact on average staffing level in Output Group 1 of this reduction in resourcing?

**PM 97 (EVANS)**

***Social Policy resourcing***

1. The PBS (page 24) notes that resourcing for Output Group 2 is projected to decrease from \$13.745 million to \$9.918 million between 2006-07 and 2007-08. What is the explanation for this decrease?
2. Please provide a full breakdown of how this decrease will be achieved.
3. What is the projected impact on average staffing level in Output Group 2 of this reduction in resourcing?

**PM 98 (EVANS)**

***State coach Britannia***

1. Is the Department providing any assistance to Mr Frecklington in his ongoing search for items to include on the coach? If yes, what is the nature of the assistance that is being provided?
2. Has Mr Frecklington submitted any further lists of costs incurred to the Department since he received the \$245,548 payment in December 2006? If so, can these lists be provided?
3. Has the Department made any further payments to Mr Frecklington since it paid him \$245,548 in December 2006? Can a full list of all additional payments made since that time, including what the payments were for.
4. Has Mr Frecklington written to the Prime Minister, anyone else in the Government or the Department to request additional financial assistance on top of the \$350,000 funding 'envelope'? If so, when?

5. Has the Government made any decision about providing further funding to Mr Frecklington? If so, how much additional funding will be provided?
6. Has Mr Frecklington provided any advice to the Department on when the coach will be finally be completed and ready to ship to the United Kingdom? What advice has he provided? When will the coach finally be ready to ship to the United Kingdom?
7. Has the Department itself received any quotes for the cost of shipping the coach to the United Kingdom? If so, can copies of these quotes be provided?
8. Has Mr Frecklington provided any quotes to the Department for the cost of shipping the coach to the United Kingdom? If so, can copies of these quotes be provided?

**PM 99 (EVANS)**

***Living costs of Prime Minister's children while at Kirribilli House***

1. Wasn't the Prime Minister's original reasoning for living at Kirribilli House rather than The Lodge because he had dependent children living at home? Given that the Prime Minister's children are now non-dependent, what is the Prime Minister's current rationale for residing at Kirribilli House rather than at The Lodge?
2. In relation to the response to question on notice 190, tabled in the House of Representatives on 18 August 2005:
  - a) Who decided that the Prime Minister's children should start paying a contribution for accommodation and sustenance for the time they stay at Kirribilli House? Was it the Department? Someone else? When was this decision taken?
  - b) In what circumstances do the Prime Minister's children pay for staying at Kirribilli House? Is it just when they spend the night? What about if they stay for meals?
  - c) On what date did the Prime Minister's children start paying a contribution for accommodation and sustenance at Kirribilli House?
  - d) What items are covered by the so-called contribution for accommodation and sustenance (food, bed, water use, etc)? Who made the decision on what items would be covered?
  - e) What is the current rate for the Prime Minister's children when they stay overnight at Kirribilli House? Is this rate ever adjusted? On what basis?
  - f) Who in the Department makes the decision on how much the Prime Minister's children should pay for accommodation and sustenance while at Kirribilli House?
  - g) Please provide a full list of every occasion on which the Prime Minister's children have made a contribution for accommodation and sustenance while at Kirribilli House. As part of this list, please indicate (a) the date costs were incurred, (b) the amount of costs incurred, (c) the reason for the costs, (d) which child incurred the costs, and (e) the date payment was made.
  - h) Since this arrangement was instigated, when was the last payment made, what was the amount and what period did that payment cover?

**PM 100 (EVANS)**

***Refugee swap agreement with the United States***

In relation to the Immigration Minister's media release on 17 April 2007, where he says 'The Australian Government has also signed an agreement with the United States of America to provide mutual assistance for the resettlement of people in need of international protection':

1. What was the nature of the Department's involvement in the process which resulted in this agreement?
2. Was there an IDC? If so, was the Department represented on the IDC? Who represented the Department on the IDC? How many meetings did they attend, and when were those meetings?
3. Is the Department aware of comments by a US embassy spokeswoman that the 'swap' plan is an 'informal arrangement', without legal obligations? Given these comments, does the Department know what the current status of the agreement is?
4. Which area of the Department has ongoing responsibility for briefing the Prime Minister about the agreement?
5. Where did the idea for the agreement originate? Australia or the United States? Immigration, DFAT or PM&C?
6. When did the idea originate/how long did it take to gain US agreement?
7. On what dates were briefings provided to the Prime Minister and/or his office about the agreement?
8. Were briefs prepared on the idea for any of the Prime Minister's US visits or for meetings with US President Bush at APEC 2006 in Vietnam? Please indicate each occasion on which briefs were provided for such meetings.
9. Does the Department know whether similar arrangements with other nations are being contemplated or being negotiated? Is the Department involved in any IDCs or other inter-department forums to discuss such arrangements with other countries? Please specify each such IDC/forum in which the Department is a participant.

#### **PM 101 (EVANS)**

##### ***IDC on the Defence Capability Plan***

1. Is the Department represented on an IDC on the Defence Capability Plan? Who represents the Department on this IDC?
2. Does the Department in fact chair this IDC?
3. What are the reporting lines for this IDC? Does it report directly to the Prime Minister? If not, to whom does it report?
4. How does the IDC deal with risk and affordability and ongoing management of the DCP?
5. Does the IDC have any capacity to initiate reviews of the DCP?
6. How is corrective action determined by the IDC, if any, implemented?
7. When was this IDC established? How many meetings of this IDC have occurred, and on what dates?
8. Which other Departments are represented on the IDC? Are Defence, Treasury, Finance and DFAT also members?

9. Please provide a list of specific issues that are considered by this IDC (for example, the affordability of the DCP, risks to the delivery of the DCP and its ongoing management). Can the terms of reference, if any, be provided?
10. Did the IDC consider the future of the Seasprite helicopter project? On what date? On what date was advice (if any) provided to the Prime Minister? On what date was advice (if any) provided to the National Security Committee of Cabinet?
11. Did the IDC consider the acquisition of the Super Hornets? On what date? On what date was advice (if any) provided to the Prime Minister? On what date was advice (if any) provided to the National Security Committee of Cabinet?
12. Did the IDC consider how this project would distort DCP priorities, programming and expenditure? Was advice provided to the Prime Minister or the National Security Committee of Cabinet on this issue? On what date(s)?
13. Has the IDC considered the so-called 'bow-wave' of Defence expenditure which starts in 2014 with the acquisition of the air warfare destroyers, amphibious ships and the JSF? Has advice been provided to the Prime Minister or the National Security Committee of Cabinet on this issue? On what date(s)?

**PM 102 (WONG)**

1. Can the Department please clarify evidence given by Senator Ellison at Estimates hearings for Human Services, where he stated "passive" campaigns are those which contain only print advertising, as opposed to "active" campaigns which contain television, radio and other such advertising?

2A. Can the Government Communications Unit please provide details of all passive (print only) campaigns:

- a. Completed during 2006-2007;
- b. In progress at the present time; and
- c. Scheduled to commence during the remainder of 2006-2007 and in 2007-2008?

2B. In providing this answer, please indicate:

- a. The name of the campaign;
- b. The duration of the campaign (start date and end date);
- c. The department or agency running the campaign;
- d. The purpose of the campaign; and
- e. The costs of the campaign of which GCU is aware, and an explanation of what these costs comprise.

**PM 103 (WONG)**

Can the Government Communications Unit please provide details of all non-campaign advertising:

- a. Completed during 2006-2007;
- b. in progress at the present time; and
- c. Scheduled to commence during the remainder of 2006-2007 and in 2007-2008?

In providing this answer, please indicate:

- a. The name (where non-ongoing) or category (such as job advertisements, invitations to tender) of the advertising;
- b. The duration of the advertising (start date and end date);
- c. The department or agency running the advertising;
- d. The purpose of the advertising; and
- e. The costs of the campaign of which GCU is aware, and an explanation of what these costs comprise.

**PM 104 (WONG)**

Can the Department please provide an updated table indicating the allocation of Departmental Liaison Officers to ministerial and other offices? Please indicate:

- a. The standard allocation of Departmental Liaison Officers to ministerial offices;
- b. Any variance from the standard allocation at the present time;
- c. Any variances to this allocation that have occurred during 2006-2007;
- d. The reasons for any variance.

This information was provided in part at Supplementary Budget Estimates 2006-2007. The link to the relevant document is

[http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/committee/fapa\\_ctte/estimates/sup\\_0607/pmc/liaison\\_officers.pdf](http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/committee/fapa_ctte/estimates/sup_0607/pmc/liaison_officers.pdf).

#### **PM 105 (WONG)**

Can the Department please provide information on staff salaries for all Departmental Liaison Officer positions?

This information could be provided in a similar form to that which was tabled for senior staff positions at Supplementary Budget Estimates 2006-2007 on 31 October 2006.

The link to the document tabled on 31 October 2006 is

[http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/committee/fapa\\_ctte/estimates/sup\\_0607/finance/ministerial\\_staff.pdf](http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/committee/fapa_ctte/estimates/sup_0607/finance/ministerial_staff.pdf)