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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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**Question:** 

Senator FIFIELD: Thank you for that. Have there been any physical alterations made to either of the official residences since the last estimates?

Mr Terrell: As you would be aware, both residences are old and require corrective maintenance from time to time. Most of that work is currently organised by the Department of Finance and Deregulation under an arrangement we entered into with Finance last year. You would have to check with them to get an update on what has happened from their side. From our side, we have done some relatively minor works to both houses.

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Mr Terrell: I have not got the details of exactly what but there was an additional \$390 spent at the Lodge and my figures indicate that there has been no additional expenditure at Kirribilli House.

Senator FIFIELD: Could you take on notice what that \$390 was for? Mr Terrell: Sure.

## Answer:

The \$390 was for the removal of a water stain on a secretaire which is on loan to The Lodge from *The Australiana Fund*.