

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
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Topic: Functions held at Official Establishments

Senator: Fifield

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Question:

1.

- a) **A list of all functions held at Kirribilli for the current financial year, including those not attended by Prime Minister Julia Gillard.**
- b) **The name of the individual/organisation hosting the function.**
- c) **Names of the attendees at each function.**
- d) **Breakdown of costs including:**
 - i. **Food**
 - ii. **Non-alcoholic beverages**
 - iii. **Alcoholic beverages**
 - iv. **Catering staff**
 - v. **Security staff**
 - vi. **Any other costs associated with the function.**
- e) **The name of the individual/organisation who met the cost of the function.**

2.

- a) **A list of all functions held at the Lodge for the current financial year, including those not attended by Prime Minister Julia Gillard.**
- b) **The name of the person hosting the function**
- c) **Names of the attendees at each function**
- d) **Breakdown of catering costs including:**
 - i. **Food**
 - ii. **Non-alcoholic beverages**
 - iii. **Alcoholic beverages**
 - iv. **Catering staff**
 - v. **Security staff**
 - vi. **Any other costs associated with the function.**
- e) **The name of the individual/organisation who met the cost of the function.**

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Answer:

1. (a-e) A list of official functions held at Kirribilli House as at 26 January 2011 was provided in a response to a written question asked by Senator Fifield at Additional Estimates in February 2011 (PM31 refers). Since then, there have been no official functions held at Kirribilli House.

2.

- a) A list of official functions held at The Lodge as at 26 January 2011 was provided in a response to a written question asked by Senator Fifield at Additional Estimates (PM 31 refers).

Since then, one official function was held on 22 March 2011 for the President of Malta.

- b) The Honourable Julia Gillard MP
- c) See attached guest list.
- d) Breakdown of costs:
- i.-ii. Food (includes non-alcoholic beverages) - \$630.00
 - iii. Alcoholic beverages - \$244.22
 - iv. Catering staff - \$636.22. This cost is for casual waiting staff and does not include the salaries of full-time staff.
 - v. No additional security costs were incurred by the department in relation to this function.
 - vi. Other costs - Flowers - \$98.45.
- e) Costs were met by the Ceremonial and Hospitality Branch of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

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c) Names of attendees at the dinner for the President of Malta

Host

The Honourable Julia Gillard MP
Prime Minister

Guest-of-Honour

His Excellency Dr George Abela
President of Malta
Mrs Margaret Abela

Official Party

The Honourable Dolores Cristina
Minister for Education, Employment
and Family
Mr Victor Cristina

Mr Joseph Church
Secretary to the Presidency

Ambassador Mario Costa
Diplomatic Advisor to the President

Ms Joanna Pisani

Captain Mark Mallia
Senior Aide-De-Camp to the President

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Mrs Deborah O'Neill MP
Secretary
Parliamentary Friendship Group to Malta

Ms Michelle Rowland MP
Chairperson
Parliamentary Friendship Group to Malta

High Commission

His Excellency Mr Francis Tabone
High Commissioner for Malta

Mr Alfred Flask
President, Maltese Australian Association
of Canberra and Queanbeyan
Mrs Anna Flask

Former High Commissioner

Mr Jurek Juszczuk
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