

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance and Deregulation

Outcome/Program: General

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment

Senator: Ryan

Question reference number: F101

Type of question: Written

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Answer:

- a) \$27,388.74 for the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012. For details of date, location, purpose and cost please refer to Attachment A.
- b) \$164.00 for the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012 for Minister of Finance and Deregulation. Nil for the period of 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012 for Special Minister for State. For details of date, location, purpose and cost please refer to Attachment B.

- c) \$30,195.46 for the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012 For details of date, location, purpose and cost please refer to Attachment C.
- d) Nil
- e) - h) Refer to F88, Additional Budget Estimates 2012.
- i) The department's hospitality and entertainment spend will be reduced as part of the implementation of the additional one-off efficiency dividend.

FINANCE HOSPITALITY SPEND FOR FINANCIAL YEAR TO DATE

DATE OF EVENT	LOCATION OF EVENT	PURPOSE	Total Cost (GST inclusive)
23/07/2011	Canberra ACT	Australian Political Exchange Gifts for Vietnamese Delegation	\$292.45
25/07/2011	Aubergine Restaurant, Griffith ACT	Host international visitors OECD	\$651.00
24/08/2011	Parliament House, Canberra ACT	Australian Political Exchange Council luncheon	\$1,970.00
25/08/2011	Sydney NSW	Farewell gifts to Australian Political Exchange Council members	\$249.98
25/08/2011	Sydney NSW	Official Gift for Korean Delegation	\$97.91
12/09/2011	Rubicon Restaurant, Griffith ACT	Official Dinner, International CIOs visiting Canberra	\$656.19
13/09/2011	Canberra ACT	Dinner allowance for Vietnamese Delegation	\$1,280.00
20/09/2011	Artespresso Restaurant, Kingston ACT	Dinner for Vietnamese Delegation	\$1,479.50
22/09/2011	Australia Zoo, Beerwah QLD	Cultural Tour for Vietnamese Delegation	\$623.63
1/10/2011	Sydney NSW	Official Gift for Permanent Secretary of Solomon Islands Ministry of Treasury and Finance	\$34.99
6/10/2011	Canberra ACT	Dinner allowance for US Delegation	\$1,050.00
13/10/2011	Canberra ACT	Dinner allowance for US Delegation	\$1,010.00
27/10/2011	Indo Cafe, Canberra ACT	Official Lunch, Indonesian Ministry of Finance Officials	\$211.00
27/10/2011	Ottoman Cuisine, Barton ACT	Official Dinner, hosted by Finance and Treasury for New Zealand Treasury	\$851.00
22/11/2011	Canberra ACT	Official Gift for Chinese Delegation	\$201.60
23/11/2011	Parliament House, Canberra ACT	Australian Political Exchange Council luncheon with Chinese delegation	\$941.00
8/12/2011	Kingsleys Steak and Crab House, Canberra ACT	Official Dinner, Permanent Secretary Ministry of Finance and Treasury PNG	\$220.00
13/12/2011	Treasury Building, Parkes ACT	Official Lunch, Comcover Advisory Council meeting	\$248.00
19/12/2011	Jakarta, Indonesia	Official Gift for officials of the Indonesian Ministry of Finance	\$504.00
12/01/2012	Treasury Building, Parkes ACT	Australian Political Exchange Council Gift	\$20.00

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25/11/2011	Parliament House, Adelaide SA	Official Hospitality Chinese Delegation	\$439.77
31/01/2012	Ottoman Cuisine, Barton ACT	Official Hospitality Deployee Recall	\$1,955.00
2/02/2012	John Gorton Building, Parkes ACT	Official Hospitality Deployee Recall	\$962.32
16/02/2012	El Dorado Steakhouse, Dickson ACT	Official Hospitality for participants from Asia-Pacific	\$828.00
24/02/2012	Canberra Stadium, ACT	Official Hospitality Pacific Island Guests	\$800.00
24/02/2012	Legends Spanish Restaurant, Manuka ACT	Official Hospitality for participants from Asia-Pacific	\$1,108.00
29/02/2012	Parliament House, Canberra ACT	Official Lunch, Philippine Delegations – Young Political Leaders	\$702.90
1/03/2012	Parliament House, Canberra ACT	Official Hospitality Philippine Delegation	\$1,739.00
1/03/2012	Parliament of Victoria – Melbourne	Official Lunch, Philippine Delegations – Young Political Leaders	\$867.50
5/3/2012	Canberra ACT	Official Gift for officials of the Indonesian Ministry of Finance	\$432.00
19/03/2012	Canberra ACT	Australian Political Exchange Gifts for APEC	\$2,953.50
24/4/2012	John Gorton Building, Parkes ACT	Official Hospitality for Departmental Function	\$2,008.50
Finance Hospitality Total	Expenditure 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012		\$27,388.74

HOSPITALITY SPEND FOR FINANCIAL YEAR TO DATE - MINISTERS

DATE OF EVENT	LOCATION OF EVENT	PURPOSE	Total Cost (GST inclusive)
12/04/12	Parliament House, Canberra ACT	Official Hospitality – Pre budget function with Media journalists	\$74.00
18/04/12	Parliament House, Canberra ACT	Official Hospitality – Pre budget function with Media journalists	\$26.60
18/04/12	Parliament House, Canberra ACT	Official Hospitality – Pre budget function with Media journalists	\$63.40
Minister for Finance and Deregulation Hospitality Total			\$164.00
Special Minister of State Hospitality Total			\$0.00

FINANCE ENTERTAINMENT SPEND FOR FINANCIAL YEAR TO DATE

DATE OF EVENT	LOCATION OF EVENT	PURPOSE	Total Cost (GST inclusive)
27/07/2011	Canberra	Whole of government ICT graduation function^	\$3,290.02
17/9/2011	Canberra	Finance Ball 2011	\$3,030.86
21/11/2011	Canberra	IT Representative end of year function	\$901.60
15/11/2011	Canberra	2011 Graduate end of year function	\$2,979.00
9/12/2011	Canberra	Staff Christmas Party	\$10,343.90
14/12/2011	Canberra	SES function	\$593.26
15/12/2011	Canberra	Whole of government ICT graduation function^	\$2,643.10
Various	Canberra	Social club functions	\$4,215.84
9/02/2012	Canberra	SES function	\$698.78
Various	Canberra	Social club functions	\$1,499.10
Finance Entertainment Total	Expenditure 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012		\$30,195.46

^ These events are cost recovered from the relevant agencies

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Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian Electoral Commission

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment

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Answer:

a) For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012:

Date	Location	Purpose	Cost
7 May 2011 (paid for in 2011-12)	Brisbane	Welcome to Country	\$227
1 September 2011	Canberra	Staff rewards and recognition	\$174
25 October 2011	Brisbane	First Contact Indigenous Football Carnival - prizes to encourage participation in a survey on electoral awareness.	\$682
21 October 2011	Wharf St Subway, Brisbane	Indigenous Electoral Participation Program (IEPP) meeting costs	\$100
25 October 2011	KFC Inala	Indigenous School Council Meeting	\$73
3 November 2011	Café in the House Canberra	International visitors program	\$222
15 November 2011	National Gallery of Australia	Official farewell for retirement of the Deputy Electoral Commissioner	\$3,473
24 November 2011	Cherbourg	IEPP Community BBQ	\$315
8 December 2011	Richlands State School	Indigenous School Council Meeting	\$81
14 December 2011	Red Ochre Grill Adelaide	Redistribution Committee and Secretariat	\$638
27 February 2012	Lobby Restaurant Canberra	Official farewell for retirement of AEC's Special Advisor on Electoral Reform and International Service	\$1,999
9 March 2012	Rubicon, Canberra	Funding Review finalisation meeting	\$269
19 March 2012	Parliament House	Launch of Year of Enrolment	\$2,860
19 March 2012	Parliament House	Balance for Launch of Year of Enrolment	\$2,842
20 April 2012	SBIT, South Brisbane campus	Launch of DVD commemorating 50 th year anniversary of the Indigenous vote	\$1,909
26 April 2012	Canberra	Staff rewards and recognition	\$172
Total			\$16,036

b) Information held by the Department of Finance and Deregulation.

c) The Australian Electoral Commission classifies entertainment as hospitality and total spend for 2011-12 year to date is shown above in the answer to a).

d) Information held by the Department of Finance and Deregulation.

e) The AEC is not currently planning on spending any amounts on hospitality.

- f) Information held by the Department of Finance and Deregulation.
- g) The Australian Electoral Commission classifies entertainment as hospitality and planned expenditure for the remainder of 2011-12 is shown above in the answer to e.
- h) Information held by the Department of Finance and Deregulation.
- i) The Australian Electoral Commission will consider any potential expenditure on hospitality and entertainment in light of available budget and statutory requirements on the expenditure of public money.

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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: ComSuper

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment costs

Senator: Ryan

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Answer:

- a) ComSuper's hospitality spend for the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012 was \$2,925.38 (GST Excl). Details of the spend are as follows:

Location provided	Date provided	Purpose	Amount (Excl GST)
The Lobby Restaurant – Parks, Canberra	6/7/2011	Attending a 'Women in Super' lunch	\$1,288.38
Sub-urban – Dickson, Canberra	24/11/2011	PSSap outsourcing function	\$1,637.00
Total Expenditure	2011-2012		\$2,925.38

- b) Nil.
c) Nil.
d) Nil.
e) Currently there are no specific plans for such events.
f) Nil.
g) Nil.
h) Nil.
i) ComSuper only holds minor hospitality events. All expenses, including this, are closely monitored and managed by ComSuper on an ongoing basis.

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Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation

Outcome/Program:

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Answer:

In respect of public monies:

- a) Nil.
- b) N/A.
- c) N/A.
- d) N/A.
- e) Nil.
- f) N/A.
- g) Nil.
- h) N/A.
- i) N/A.

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Answer:

- a) \$5,278
- b) N/A.
- c)

Date	Venue	Function Details	Cost
26 August 2011	Elements Café	Staff function	\$5,907
15 December 2011	Sandbar	Staff end of year function	\$8,608
2 April 2012	Elements Café	Staff function	\$4,820
Total			\$19,335

- d) N/A.
- e) No specific spending planned.
- f) N/A.
- g) No specific spending planned.
- h) N/A.
- i) N/A.