

Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2013

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Senator: Ryan

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Question:

Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?

Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?

Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?

Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much? Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?

Answer:

There has been a reduction in business class flights with an estimated saving of \$1626 as at 31 May 2013. It is expected there will be similar savings each year over the forward estimates.

Since January 2012, OIGIS has reduced the use of external legal consultants by recruiting a staff member with legal qualifications. No further efficiencies can be made in this area.

All OIGIS recruitment activities are already on line and no further savings can be achieved in this area.

As the Annual Report is the only publication printed by OIGIS, and it already prints the minimum copies required, there are no further savings able to be achieved in this area.