

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Budget Estimates Hearing 27 May-6 June 2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.

Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?

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Answer:

1 and 3 – For the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013 the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) spent \$46,749.63 (GST inclusive) on official hospitality. Details are provided at Attachment A.

In the rare case that entertainment costs are incurred by PM&C the costs are not recorded separately from official hospitality.

2 and 4 – The Prime Minister's official hospitality is provided through administered funding appropriated for State Occasions and Official Visits and Ceremonial Hospitality (CERHOS). For the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013, official hospitality was provided for:

- Prime Minister - \$238,250.97 (GST inclusive)
- COAG - \$3,310.55 (GST inclusive)
- Parliamentary Secretary - \$0

Details are provided at Attachment B.

Entertainment provided at official functions hosted by the Prime Minister is also provided through funding appropriated for CERHOS. For the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013, \$15,376.00 (GST inclusive) was paid for the Prime Minister's official functions only. Details are provided at Attachment B.

There was no expenditure incurred for other Ministers or the Parliamentary Secretary.

5, 7 and 9 – PM&C does not allocate budget specifically for official hospitality and entertainment. As events are identified, they are costed and paid for from the existing departmental budget.

6 and 8 – PM&C does not allocate budget specifically for official hospitality and entertainment for each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary. As events are identified, they are costed and paid for from the existing State Occasions and Official visits budget.

Official Hospitality (Departmental Funding) - Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Official Hospitality (Departmental Funding) - Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet				Total for the Period
Date	Location (City)	Details		GST Inclusive
				Total Amount
Jun-13	Brisbane	Economic Forum		8,882.18
Jul - Apr 13	Various locations	COAG Reform Council dinners and events		21,713.53
Aug - Nov 12	Various locations	Not For Profit Sector Reform Council dinners		2,338.94
Sep-12	Canberra	Public Service Medal recipients dinner		4,694.50
Sep-12	Canberra	Australia-Singapore Roundtable		4,488.18
Sep - Nov 12	Various locations	Australian Social Inclusion Board dinners		2,571.00
Dec-12	Canberra	Secretary's end of year reception		1,092.31
Jan - Feb 13	Canberra, Brisbane	Deputy Secretary luncheon		219.00
Mar-13	Tasmania	Australian Social Inclusion Board lunch		750.00

\$	46,749.63
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Total - Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet - core service	\$	46,749.63
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Official Hospitality and Entertainment - Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries			Official Hospitality	Entertainment	Total Amount
Date	Location (City)	Details	GST Inclusive	GST Inclusive	GST Inclusive
Host: Julia Gillard					
2-Jul-12	Darwin	Dinner in honour of His Excellency Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono AC, President of the Republic of Indonesia and Madam Ani Bambang Yudhoyono	37,944.00		37,944.00
23-Jul-12	Canberra	Luncheon in honour of the Honourable Morgan Tsvangirai, Prime Minister of the Republic of Zimbabwe and Mrs Elizabeth Tsvangira	9,524.00		9,524.00
24-Jul-12	Canberra	The then Prime Minister's Dinner for Premiers, Chief Ministers and the President of ALGA - COAG	557.96		557.96
25-Jul-12	Canberra	The then Prime Minister's Lunch for Premiers, Chief Ministers and the President of ALGA - COAG	580.00		580.00
19-Aug-12	Sydney	Afternoon Tea for members of the Australian Olympic Team	2,300.50		2,300.50
22-Aug-12	Canberra	Luncheon in honour of The Honourable Gordon Darcy Lilo, Prime Minister of the Solomon Islands	10,936.00		10,936.00
25-Aug-12	Canberra	Morning Tea to Launch the 25th Anniversary Season of Open Gardens Australia	753.10		753.10
11-Oct-12	Canberra	Luncheon in honour of His Excellency Lee Hsien Loong, Prime Minister of the Republic of Singapore	36,137.00	1,100.00	37,237.00
24-Oct-12	Canberra	Dinner in Honour of His Excellency Benigno S. Aquino III, President of the Republic of the Philippines	15,608.00		15,608.00
24-Oct-12	Sydney	Dinner in Honour of Dr Suring Pitsuwan, Secretary - General of ASEAN	2,036.00		2,036.00
13-Nov-12	Perth	Dinner on the occasion of the Australia - United States Ministerial Consultations	5,871.00		5,871.00
30-Nov-12	Sydney	The then Prime Minister's End of Year Reception	2,374.64		2,374.64
6-Dec-12	Canberra	The then Prime Minister's Dinner for Premiers, Chief Ministers and the President of ALGA - COAG	345.83		345.83
7-Dec-12	Canberra	Luncheon in honour of the Council of Australian Governments Meeting	580.00		580.00
10-Dec-12	Brisbane	Luncheon in honour of His Excellency Professor Vuong Dinh Hue Minister of Finance in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam	2,213.00		2,213.00
12-Dec-12	Canberra	Luncheon in Honour of Her Excellency Liu Yandong	2,089.00		2,089.00
12-Dec-12	Canberra	The then Prime Minister's Reception for Senior Executives of the Department of the Prime Minister & Cabinet	1,936.82		1,936.82
12-Dec-12	Canberra	Dinner to Celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations with the People's Republic of China	61,975.00	11,426.00	73,401.00
13-Dec-12	Canberra	The then Prime Minister's Reception for Senior Executives of the Australian Public Service	2,459.05		2,459.05
16-Jan-13	Sydney	Dinner on the occasion of the Australia-United Kingdom Ministerial Consultations	881.34		881.34
17-Jan-13	Sydney	Dinner on the occasion of the Australia-UK Ministerial Consultations	2,674.00		2,674.00

Attachment B

26-Jan-13	Canberra	Reception to Celebrate Australia Day 2013	6,365.71	2,850.00	9,215.71
28-Jan-13	Canberra	Reception on the occasion of the Prime Minister's XI versus West Indies Cricket Match	3,023.26		3,023.26
29-Jan-13	Canberra	Dinner on the occasion of the Prime Minister's XI versus West Indies	15,024.90		15,024.90
10-Feb-13	Sydney	Chinese New Year Community Reception	780.00		780.00
27-Feb-13	Canberra	Luncheon in honour of Mr Carl Bildt, Minister for Foreign Affairs in the Government of Sweden	3,100.50		3,100.50
20-Mar-13	Canberra	Ms María Ignacia Benítez Pereira, Minister of Environment in the Government of the Republic of Chile	3,088.00		3,088.00
21-Mar-13	Canberra	Luncheon in honour of His Excellency Dr Fahad Balghunaim, Minister of Agriculture in the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	2,362.00		2,362.00
21-Mar-13	Canberra	Luncheon in honour of His Excellency Dr Zalmi Rassoul, Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	2,556.50		2,556.50
18-Apr-13	Canberra	The then Prime Minister's Dinner for Premiers, Chief Ministers and the President of ALGA - COAG	748.51		748.51
19-Apr-13	Canberra	The then Prime Minister's Lunch for Premiers, Chief Ministers and the President of ALGA - COAG	490.00		490.00
3-May-13	Canberra	Luncheon in honour of His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaula, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam	935.35		935.35

Host: COAG

4-Dec-12	Melbourne	Australia-New Zealand Counter Terrorism Committee (NCTC) Dinner	3,310.55		3,310.55
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