Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Supplementary Budget Estimates 20 - 23 Oct 2008



Question: PM44b

Outcome 1, Output 5

Topic: Governor-General's clothing allowance

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Senator Abetz asked: Mr Murtagh of the Office of the Official Secretary stated specifically that no new clothing had been provided to the Governor-General to date in answer to my question of 20 October 2008. In a letter received by the Finance and Public Administration Committee on 22 October 2008, Mr Mrdak stated that the Governor-General receives a one-off fitting-out (or clothing) allowance.

Could the Department please outline whether the provision of any military uniform for the Governor-General for official purposes is included in this allowance or whether that would be a separate allocation of funds?

Answer: There is no requirement for a military uniform to be purchased from the fitting-out allowance.