

## **Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee**

### **ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2008-09**

#### **Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General**

**Department/Agency:** Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

**Topic:** Clothing allowance

**Senator:** Abetz

**Question reference number:** PM44b and PM44c

**Type of question:** Written

**Date set by the committee for the return of answers:** 5 December 2008.

#### **Question:**

##### **PM44a to PM44c–PM&C and OOSGG (ABETZ)**

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.

##### **PM44b–PM&C and OOSGG (ABETZ)**

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?

##### **PM44c–OOSGG (ABETZ)**

Inform the committee whether a request has been made by the Governor-General for the provision of a military uniform?

#### **Answer:**

##### **PM44b (ABETZ)**

No separate allocation of funds for a military uniform was provided by the Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General.

##### **PM44c (ABETZ)**

No request has been made by the Governor-General to the Official Secretary for a military uniform.