

Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department of Finance and Deregulation

Supplementary Estimates Hearing – October 2010

Outcome General, Program General

Topic: Hospitality Spends

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Senator Bernardi asked:

- a) What is the Department's hospitality spend since Budget Estimates 2010? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
- b) For each Minister/Parl Secretary's office, please detail total hospitality spend FYTD. Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.

Answer:

- a) Refer to Attachment A.
- b) For the period 27 May - 19 October 2010, the hospitality spend for the Finance and Deregulation Portfolio Ministers was 'nil'.

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio Hospitality Spend Since 27 May 2010.			
Event	Location	Purpose	Cost
Department of Finance and Deregulation (Finance)			
10 June 2010	Brassey Hotel – Canberra, ACT	Risk Management Conference	\$520
10 June 2010	Brassey Hotel – Canberra, ACT	Comcover Awards of Excellence	\$585
10 August 2010	Old Parliament House- Canberra, ACT	Dinner with Russian Delegation for discussions with respect to Australian Government framework in assisting in the decision making process of their internal reform programs.	\$956
11 August 2010	COMCAR Depot- Canberra, ACT	COMCAR National Centenary Celebration and history launch by Governor-General	\$5,121
27 August 2010	COMCAR Depot- Brisbane, QLD	COMCAR State depot Centenary celebration and History launch	\$7
1 September 2010	COMCAR Depot- Sydney, NSW	“	\$173
21 September 2010	COMCAR Depot- Perth, WA	“	\$221
23 September 2010	COMCAR Depot- Adelaide, SA	“	\$64
Finance Total			\$7,647
Australian Electoral Commission (AEC)			
July 2010	Canberra, ACT	Official Dinner for visiting Nepalese delegation.	\$277
August 2010	Canberra, ACT	In house hospitality – staff thank you drinks 2010 Election.	\$324
August 2010	Brisbane, QLD	Official Dinner for visiting Indonesian delegation for 2010 Election.	\$1,113
August 2010	Melbourne, VIC	Dinner for UK Electoral Officer visit – 2010 Election.	\$137
August 2010	Sydney, NSW	Dinner for NSW Distribution Committee.	\$711
August 2010	Canberra, ACT	VIP function and staff refreshments at National Tally Room.	\$12,412
AEC Total			\$14,974

Event	Location	Purpose	Cost
ComSuper			
28/06/2010	Belconnen, Canberra, ACT	Lunch with Audit Committee Member- Externally Catered.	\$85
28/07/2010	Yarralumla, Canberra, ACT	Lunch with Audit Committee Member- Externally Catered.	\$28
30/06/2010	Belconnen, Canberra, ACT	CEO Farewell Lunch- Internally Catered.	\$2,523
25/06/2010	Belconnen, Canberra, ACT	CEO Farewell Dinner- Externally Catered.	\$2,018
9/07/2010	Belconnen, Canberra, ACT	SunSuper Meeting- Internally Catered.	\$122
8/09/2010	Sydney, NSW	CEO introductory dinner with Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits Scheme Board members- Externally Catered.	\$310
ComSuper Total			\$5,086

Future Fund Management Agency (Future Fund)

Hospitality spend since Budget Estimates 2010 is \$2,792. This spend was spread across more than 50 events designed to build relationships with business partners and peer organisations.