

**FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 15 OCTOBER 2012**

**PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET PORTFOLIO**

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1.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Faulkner	Diamond Jubilee medal	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> I asked the Office of the Governor-General about finalising the issue of the diamond jubilee medal. Can anyone assist as to whether, at the end of the day, any of those were awarded? If it is a problem now, we will come back to it later.</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> The Australian government decided not to issue a diamond jubilee medal. The Queen, in accordance with previous practice, did approve the awarding of the UK diamond jubilee medal to the two living holders of the Victoria Cross and George Cross, the two living recipients of the Victoria Cross for Australia and the five living recipients of the Cross of Valour. Three of those medals were presented by the Prince of Wales in London in May this year—that was to the Victoria Cross recipient, Keith Payne, to one of the two Victoria Cross for Australia recipients, Corporal Ben Roberts-Smith, and to the George Cross recipient, Michael Pratt.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> Yes, that is what I thought. I thought there may have been some information provided to the Governor-General's office in relation to the awarding of those medals. That is the reason I followed that up with the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. I was aware that that had occurred and could not quite understand why the Governor-General's office had not been informed by the palace. You cannot assist us with that, I suppose?</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> I will see if there is any officer here who can cast some light on that.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> It is a minor matter. We can deal with it later.</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> Because the awards are UK awards and not awards in the Australian honours system, the Governor-General of Australia has no role in relation to them.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> Can you just take on notice for me whether the same approach was taken in relation to other Commonwealth countries and, if so, which ones they were?</p>	FPA, P65 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<b>Ms Leon:</b> To the extent that we can find that out, I will do that.			
2.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Abetz	Support to the PM for FOI requests	<p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> But this is a publicly disclosed document as to the standards which are going to be enforced and then when we ask questions about it we are not provided with information or the minister is not required to abide by it. Can I ask then: how is it that my FOI request from PM&amp;C was transferred to the PMO?</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> Your request came to the department. The department did not have any relevant documents and in general where there is a request lodged with us that appears to belong to the office or vice versa where a request is made of the Prime Minister's office but in fact appears to be better handled by the department, or indeed if a request lodged with us seems better handled by another department, there is a routine practice of identifying the agency that might be best placed to deal with FOI and in this case since we know that ministerial declarations are held by the Prime Minister's office, it appeared to us that they would be the most relevant agency to consider your FOI request.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Does PM&amp;C hold any documents whatsoever in relation to this request?</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> In relation to the company, the interest of Senator Carr, no.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> In relation to my FOI request?</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> Only your FOI request and the fact that we transferred it to the PMO.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> We have had some 30 documents identified. Are you able to confirm that, for this FOI request?</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> I do not have a response to the application here with me. It was handled by the PMO. I understand that the PMO indicated there were no official documents of a minister which is required for the application of the FOI Act.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Has the department provided any administrative support to the PMO in relation to this FOI request?</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> Not that I am aware of but I can take that on notice or see whether</p>	FPA, P67 15 October 2012	Answered pp 87-88	7/2/13

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				another officer is available.			
3.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Abetz	Draft for Estimates Folder	<p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> So that was a draft for an estimates hearing.</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> That is my understanding.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> So it was never finalised.</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> That is my understanding.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Did this draft find its way into the estimates folder?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> I think that is where it was discovered.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> So it was a draft but it did find its way into an estimates folder, which means it would have appeared at an estimates hearing in somebody's folder.</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> That is my understanding.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> But, because it was labelled a draft, you are saying it is non-discoverable.</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> I do not have the actual detail, the specific documents, in front of me. I can certainly take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> I think those red stamps saying 'draft' are going to get used overtime from now on to avoid FOI requests. Just label everything as a draft, and you will be able to sidestep.</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> There is no automatic exemption for draft documents, and the department does not apply a standard that exempts draft documents merely on the basis of their being drafts.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> I think the Information Commissioner might agree with us on that.</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> I think the officer, Ms Taylor, was trying to be helpful, but she was using her best endeavours in terms of her memory. I think we will take on notice the detail so that she can confirm those things. She was trying to be helpful, but I think the answer really is: we will take it on notice in terms of exactly the form in which the document was, because, as I say, I evidence was</p>	FPA, P68-69 15 October 2012	Answered pp 68 and 88	

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				<p>'she thinks', and I think she will probably want to check the record before we finalise that.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> The first FOI decision made her exempt four documents because 'they contained records of opinions, advice and deliberations relating to the preparation of a brief for the division head prepared or recorded in the course of, or for the purposes of, the deliberative processes involved in the functions of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet,' and these documents were for email chains. But these email chains were eight months after the creation of the independent media inquiry and 2½ months after it reported. Two are dated 17 May and two are dated 18 May, and they coincide with articles in the <i>Australian</i> about my FOI request along similar lines to the department. How do these email chains relate to the deliberative process of cabinet given that cabinet had made the decision—the review had taken place and the findings had already been made public—when all we were seeking to do was find out how people got appointed?</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> Given that we do not know the exact material, we will take that on notice and come back to you. We will try to get that done within the time limits.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Can you take on notice then to provide us with some robust analysis as to why we have been getting these quite differing rationales in relation to these FOI requests. If FOI is to mean anything, one would hope that the highest of the portfolios, Prime Minister and Cabinet, would not engage in this sort of behaviour of using whatever excuse to obfuscate requests that are vitally important to the opposition doing its work and to the public interest. I note that, on the initial request, I think somebody thought it was not within the public interest to find out how the appointments were made to the media panel, the review panel, when I would have thought that the freedom of the press and media matters might actually fall pretty squarely within the category of what is within the public interest. Thank you.</p>			
4.	Department of the Prime Minister and	Payne	Business Advisory Forum Recommendation	<b>Senator PAYNE:</b> In terms of the BAF recommendations generally, can you give us an indication of any remaining time frames for those six streams and what consultation mechanisms are in place for the consideration of those	FPA, P70 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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	Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions			<p>recommendations? Further to that, what is the ongoing role of the BAF expected to be?</p> <p><b>Mr Hazlehurst:</b> Each of the six has its own process. I am happy to go through each of them if you would like me to, but it will take quite some time.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> You are just trying to upset my colleagues.</p> <p><b>Mr Hazlehurst:</b> Perhaps what is best to say about that is that the primary mechanism for engagement and consultation for a number of them is through the COAG BAF task force, which David Tune, the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Deregulation, is chairing and which the states are part of. That task force has also been consulting with business stakeholders. There are a couple of other streams of activities going on. For example, part of the stream that relates to environmental approvals is being progressed separately from the task force. There is a task force based in PM&amp;C that is driving that work. That engagement and consultation is occurring directly with the states through that task force. Indeed, in relation to energy market reform there is also a process of engagement with the Standing Council on Energy and Resources, so consultation is occurring with the states through that mechanism.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Perhaps it might be easier for me to ask you to respond to that in greater detail on notice.</p> <p><b>Mr Hazlehurst:</b> Sure. I am happy to do that.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> I think those answers are due by the end of November.</p> <p><b>CHAIR:</b> By 30 November.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> By 30 November. I have a specific question in relation to the environmental duplication aspect and its time frames and processes. I assume that would be covered off in your broader answer to that question.</p> <p><b>Mr Hazlehurst:</b> Certainly.</p>			
5.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1	Payne	Mr McClintock's Replacement	<p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> In relation to the membership of the COAG Reform Council, I understand that Mr McClintock, after arduous duty, has indicated he will be resigning by the end of the year or as soon as a replacement is found. Can you update us on the process of the appointment of a replacement for Mr</p>	FPA, P70- 71 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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	General Questions			<p>McClintock and when that is likely to be finalised?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> I think the process is underway in terms of considering who replacements might be, but there have not been any formal approaches made. So it is in its early stages but we would hope to have a replacement identified this year, if not early next year.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> How is it intended that the individual be recruited—is it by public advertisement or is it in a different fashion?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> It would be the normal way for those sorts of senior appointments, where a list of names would be put together of appropriate people, and then decisions would be taken on the basis of that list of names, possibly with others being added. Then there is often a process where you also get cabinet approval, or the Prime Minister can approve the appointment.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Is that the way Ms Middleton came onto the council to replace Mr Corish?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> It depends on which position they are filling. Some of the positions are nominated by states and territories; some have particular expertise such as understanding regional issues. Some of them are Commonwealth positions; others are put forward by states and territories. I believe that one was agreed with the states and territories.</p> <p><b>Mr Hazelhurst:</b> Yes, that one was agreed jointly.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Was that the regional and remote experience position?</p> <p><b>Mr Hazelhurst:</b> That is right.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> I am not sure, Ms Cross, whether you said in those responses when you expected the process for replacing Mr McClintock, who of course might be regarded as irreplaceable, to be finalised?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> I said we would hope to have a replacement identified before the end of the year or early next year.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> If Mr McClintock chooses to depart before a replacement is appointed, is there a process for an acting chair to be appointed?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> I believe there is, but I can check that for you.</p>			

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6.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Payne	COAG Committee Costs & Structure - Funding	<p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> If you could take that on notice I would be grateful. In an answer to Question on Notice No. 126, in relation to the COAG committee structure and its costs, you indicated that the costs of ongoing administration of the secretariats of standing councils and fora, the select councils, the legislative and governance fora, are met by those councils and fora. Is that actually out of departmental resources for each jurisdiction, with the individual costs met by individual agencies? I do not imagine the standing councils and fora are in the business of making money for themselves, so how do they do that?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> I think it varies from council to council. Some councils have an amount of money that they set aside for national projects and secretariat, and the usual formula is that the Commonwealth would contribute 50 per cent and the states would share the other 50 per cent according to their population share, although that can differ from council to council depending on what the historical arrangements have been. We would need to check that for every council to give you a specific answer, but in many cases it will come out of some sort of budget that has been set aside for that council.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Given the number of select and standing councils and the legislative and governance fora that currently exist, perhaps we could do it by exception—if it is not funded in the way to which you just referred, the 50-50, could you indicate to the committee, on notice, the way in which it is funded.</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> I am happy to do that.</p>	FPA, P71 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
7.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Payne	Consultation on Regulation Impact Statements	<p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> There are a number of issues which we have discussed at previous estimates and which have been raised by a number of constituent organisations as well who are waiting on change. I guess it is all the reform process. One of those is the licensing of tradespeople. I understand that we have had the release of the draft legislation and the consultation RISs for that, and I think the consultation period has just closed, but what remaining steps are there for that process, what are the timeframes involved in that, and can you also indicate what sort of response was received to those consultations.</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> The consultation has just occurred for the consultation RIS, so it is a matter of really drawing that material together, along with all the information that jurisdictions have, from engagement from interested</p>	FPA, P71- 72 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>stakeholders. The aim is to get that together by the end of the year for the Standing Council on Federal Financial Relations to draw that together in a final-decision RIS and legislation regulations.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> And the time frame, Dr de Brouwer?</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> I think, in general, we are aiming for the end of the year, Senator, but that is subject to those discussions progressing.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Thank you. For additional occupations, such as real estate agents and so on, what is the time frame? They are vocally concerned.</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> I think there are four trades. In general, the aspiration is to get that material together. It depends on the complexity and how divergent the views are. You asked where the views have got to from the consultations.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> That's right.</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> They have just closed, so we are really just going through that now to get a sense of how that has come together. I think we will have to wait until we have drawn that material together, Senator.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Then, Dr de Brouwer, can I ask, on notice, please, for details of the response that was received in that consultation period in terms of both volume and complexity.</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Senator, I understand that something like 3,000 submissions have been received by the department of industry. Some of those will be basically the same response from an number of different stakeholders—</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Exactly. That is the sort of thing I would like to see: the breakdown between form or standard letters, as it were, and substantive responses, and what the time frame is, flowing from that.</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> In the July 2012 BRCWG report card on progress of the deregulation priorities, there was a comment made on the National Mine Safety Framework, which is not one that we have heard very much about. Can you indicate to us where that reform is up to and any update on completion time frames, because I think the working group noted that it is expected to be operational by December 2012.</p>			



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				<b>Ms Taylor:</b> I will have to take that on notice.			
8.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Payne	Host State for e- conveyancing reform	<p><b>Mr Hazlehurst:</b> The draft law itself has been circulated by the Australian Registrars' National Electronic Conveyancing Council for consultation, and a draft RIS will also be circulated shortly. So there are still a number of steps left in that process. That reform itself is one that is being managed by the states, as opposed to the Commonwealth having a particular role in it.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Is there a particular host state or chairing state for that one?</p> <p><b>Mr Hazlehurst:</b> I am certain there is one, but I cannot tell you who it is! I am sorry; I do not have that information in front of me.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Pick one of six! Could you let me know, please, Mr Hazlehurst, on notice?</p> <p><b>Mr Hazlehurst:</b> Yes.</p>	FPA P72 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
9.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Payne	Status of National Legal Profession Reforms	<p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Could you also indicate to us briefly the status of the national legal profession reforms? I understand that Queensland earlier this month indicated that they will not be participating. So what is their status now?</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> Senator, the department of finance actually monitor this very closely through the task force and the BRCWG work. They are a good source of answers to these questions.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> I know, but Senator Evans did promise me some estimates ago—and he has been very assiduous in committing to that promise—that I would be able to ask these questions here rather than trying to divide myself into 27 pieces across 12 committees.</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> My recollection is that, when that reform last went to COAG, not all jurisdictions decided to participate. It was going ahead just on the basis of a subset of the states and territories, so I do not know whether we have any information with us, but I assume that it will continue to go ahead with those jurisdictions that remain interested and that, over time, others may choose to join.</p> <p><b>Mr Hazlehurst:</b> I am afraid I do not have anything further to add to that answer.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Thank you very much. If you could take on notice then, in relation to that, which jurisdictions have indicated they will continue to participate and what the status of the scheme will be then. I assume you will not</p>	FPA, P72- 73 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>be calling it the 'national professional legal reforms' by that point—it could be the 'in part national'.</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> I will check this, but my recollection is that New South Wales and Victoria were interested, which meant that the vast bulk of the lawyers would be picked up by the reform, even though it was not in every jurisdiction. I will check that for you.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Does this have any effect on reward payments for the non-participating states, or is it outside the scope of the reward payments for the seamless national economy reforms?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> Again, I would have to check that for you.</p> <p><b>Senator PAYNE:</b> Would you please do that, Ms Cross? I will put the rest on notice.</p>			
10.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Fifield	COAG/NDIS Funding	<p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> When in writing was a concrete funding apportionment proposal for launch sites given to the states, whether that be via PM&amp;C, via a letter from Minister Macklin or via a letter from the Prime Minister to the Premiers?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> We would have to take that on notice, but it would have been very soon after the budget. Each state would have been given an indication of what they were expected to contribute. <b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> What I am trying to get at is whether what was put to the states on the day of the COAG was different to that which had previously been conveyed or if indeed what was put to the states at the COAG was the first time the states had actually had a concrete proposal put to them.</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> The concrete proposal that was in front of the states for several months was that they needed, with existing and new money, to provide \$20,779 per client in the launch site. On the day of COAG, there may have been discussions between the Prime Minister and the premiers about whether that might be a different amount, but that concrete proposal of \$20,779 had been on the table since the budget.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> It occurs to me to say, taking Tasmania and South Australia, that, if there was a concrete proposal back in May that was formally</p>	FPA, P74-75 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>conveyed, a lot had changed since then, because the launch sites in Tasmania and South Australia are not the sorts of launch sites which were envisaged by the Productivity Commission. They are not geographically specific. They are not covering all cohorts. I am just trying to follow through how things happened.</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> The average cost per package will still be around \$35,000 per person. In South Australia, because it is a child cohort, the PC had included estimates that the average cost for a child would be 30 per cent of the full package costs, so South Australia, using the PC estimates, could make that adjustment. Tasmania, because they are not in that child cohort, would be working on an average cost of around \$35,000, of which we were asking the states to contribute the \$20,779 of new and existing funding.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> If you could take the matters I have raised on notice, that would be appreciated. Just from the outside, it looks like maybe some states were dealt with more intensively and more closely and were taken into greater confidence than other jurisdictions, as evidenced by the fact that some states on the day itself were able to say, 'Yes, we have agreement.'</p>			
11.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Sinodinos	Regulation Impact Statements - Exemptions	<p><b>Senator SINODINOS:</b> These are fairly brief questions. They go to the role of the department in the whole issue of assessing best practice on regulation by departments. Under the best practice handbook, the Prime Minister has the ability to exempt ministers from having to complete regulation impact statements. I guess I just want some elaboration on the process under which these exemptions are given. What role does PM&amp;C specifically take in advising the Prime Minister on the appropriateness or otherwise of granting an exemption?</p> <p><b>Mr de Brouwer:</b> In general, ministers would write to the Prime Minister seeking an exemption, listing the reasons why they are doing so. As with normal correspondence, the department would provide advice to the PM on that basis.</p> <p><b>Senator SINODINOS:</b> What sort of criteria do you take into account in determining whether it is appropriate to grant an exemption or not? What frames your advice?</p> <p><b>Mr de Brouwer:</b> We had a conversation around this at previous estimates.</p>	FPA, Page 78 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>There are no specific guidelines of what the PM would look at in framing her decision. I may have to come back to you. I will just refresh myself on some of the material and come back to you.</p> <p><b>Senator SINODINOS:</b> In that context, there seems to have been an increasing trend to grant the exemptions, so you might look at your answer in that context.</p> <p><b>Mr de Brouwer:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator SINODINOS:</b> Can you recall any instances where a minister wrote to the Prime Minister seeking an exemption but was not granted that exemption?</p> <p><b>Mr de Brouwer:</b> Off the top of my head, I cannot recall. I will take that one on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator SINODINOS:</b> Or instances where the Prime Minister initiated the granting of an exemption?</p> <p><b>Mr de Brouwer:</b> Again, I cannot recall a situation where that has happened. I will take that one on notice.</p>			
12.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Ryan	National Licencing for Property Occupations – Consultation Committees	<p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> So why were they reconstituted? I am trying to get to why there were two stages here. Was the first consultation deemed not sufficient, or did there need to be further consultation after the specific proposal was released?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> I believe that these committees were reconstituted following the release of the consultation regulation impact statement. So there was actually a draft on the table at that stage which detailed the substance of the reform—the costs and benefits et cetera.</p> <p><b>Mr de Brouwer:</b> It was a very normal process in the sense that the initial consultations occurred with different sectors to get their views. Then the consultation RISs were put out for discussion and consultation. So it is another phase in the process.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Can you take on notice which groups were invited back onto those consultation committees but also the groups that were on the first range of committees? I am particularly interested in whether there was a difference in those invited back for the second round of consultation. Is that possible for you to</p>	FPA, P79 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				take on notice? <b>Ms Taylor:</b> Yes, certainly.			
13.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Waters	National Environmental Significance Matters	<p><b>Senator WATERS:</b> Can you confirm that the government is intending to draft standards that will cover all matters of national environmental significance?</p> <p><b>Mr Burnett:</b> The government has not yet finalised its position. There is a set of draft standards which are the subject of consultation with the states, but there has been no decision yet on the final scope of those standards.</p> <p><b>Senator WATERS:</b> Which matters of NES do those draft standards cover so far?</p> <p><b>Mr Burnett:</b> I cannot answer questions about the content of the draft standards. They are still the subject of current negotiations with states.</p> <p><b>Senator WATERS:</b> But in terms of the work the department—obviously the officers outposted with PM&amp;C—is doing, can you advise that, so far, the drafting is intended to cover all of those matters of NES? Obviously all of that is subject to negotiation with the states, but, in terms of the drafting time of the department, has that been covering all the matters of NES?</p> <p><b>Mr Burnett:</b> As I said, the scope of what the standards might cover relates to the content of the document, so I would have to take it on notice if you were asking to see a copy of that draft document.</p> <p><b>Senator WATERS:</b> I would love to see a copy but I did not envisage that I would be able to. I was simply asking which matters of NES the standards are covering.</p>	FPA, P80 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
14.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Waters	EPBC standards - compliance	<p><b>Senator WATERS:</b> Okay. My interest in that is in compliance with the standards, as I am sure you would know, including community participation in not just the formation but also, primarily, the enforcement of those standards. So I will not question you about that, but I will just put you on notice that that is the sort of aspect that I am interested in. If you are able to provide me with any further details on those points on notice, that would be much appreciated.</p> <p><b>Mr Burnett:</b> Yes.</p>	FPA, P82 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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15.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Fifield	Costs for the Social Inclusion Unit	<p><b>Ms Cross:</b> We can give you an estimate of the direct costs of the Social Inclusion Unit but, as I said, there are other resources of the department. That will not include the corporate overhead costs or the policy input of other parts of the department to work that the Social Inclusion Board is commissioning. We can give you an amount and we can build it up from the bottom, but it is a subset of the expenditure and activity and will not include those overheads.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> Are you able to do that now?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> We would have to take that on notice. We have some data here on the cost of the Social Inclusion Board remuneration sitting fees, but we do not have the staff costs and we do not have in front of us the complete set of activities in the financial year.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> Would you provide advice as to the current full-time-equivalent staffing levels, the SES bands and APS levels that are relevant and whether that \$3.3 million per year figure is a—I appreciate that it might not cover the corporate overheads, as you said, but—</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> There has been no change in that allocation to the department but since then the department has had efficiency dividends and other things, and they are taken from the department's budget as a whole.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> But you will take on notice, to the degree you are able to, what the cost of the Social Inclusion Unit is?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> Recognising that there may be some additional expenditures in the department that relate to the Social Inclusion Unit, it will not be an absolute figure; it will be a conservative estimate. Is the Social Inclusion Board supported by the Social Inclusion Unit or is there a Social Inclusion Board secretariat?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> There is a secretariat within the unit.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> So whatever figure you give me will include that?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> The costs for the Social Inclusion Board, in addition to</p>	FPA, P84-85 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>that, would be sitting fees, or however you term it, airfares—</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> Travel accommodation.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> Yes. You can give me that as well?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> And publications. We can give you that information.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> Are you able to tell me now how much money is spent on research and publications, or would they come from that same amount?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> I think we can give you the cost of developing the social inclusion report on how Australia is faring.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> That was from a few years ago, now, wasn't it?</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> There was a version published this year that provided an update on that data. We can probably give you that now, if you want.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> Sure.</p>			
16.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Fifield	Volunteering Australia	<p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> So is Volunteering Australia carrying out all of the functions that it was before 30 June?</p> <p><b>Mr Ronalds:</b> I am not aware.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> How much Commonwealth funding did Volunteering Australia receive in 2011-12?</p> <p><b>Mr Ronalds:</b> I am happy to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> You do not know?</p>	FPA, P86 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
17.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Fifield	Volunteering Australia - Funding	<p><b>Mr Ronalds:</b> In broad terms, I am certainly aware of its overall budget. It has received in the past financial years an amount from PM&amp;C administered funds to support their purposes. It does vary each financial year depending on specific tasks, whether there is a national conference, whether the government supports that and those sorts of things. Hence, I need to take on notice the precise amount that has been given in any financial year.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> If you could, please, for 2011-12 and 2012-13 and how much over the forward estimates from PM&amp;C and from other departments that you may be aware of.</p>	FPA P87 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>...</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> I just confirm, in terms of a question on notice about funding to Volunteering Australia, that we will check with PM&amp;C and we will also check with FaHCSIA. Other than that, are you comfortable if they are the only two—</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> They would be the only two sources of funding, I would think, other than one-off things.</p> <p><b>Ms Cross:</b> That is right. Some other department may have sponsored a conference or something, but if you are comfortable we will just check with PM&amp;C and FaHCSIA.</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> Okay; thank you.</p>			
18.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Ryan	Volunteers in the PMO	<p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> I have a couple of quick general questions before I move on to detailed domestic policy. Minister, does the Prime Minister's office have volunteers in it as well as paid staff?</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> I have no idea. I am happy to take that on notice. They might, like all of us, have some students in for a bit of work experience et cetera. But if you are talking about—</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> If there were unpaid people in the office—I know work experience people are paid a nominal fee to cover costs—whether that be university interns, high school interns, work experience people or volunteers—</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> I do not know. I will take it on notice for you, but I assume, like the rest of us, they might occasionally have an intern placed by one of the universities or something. But I do not know, so I will take that on notice.</p>	FPA, P88-89 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
19.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Ryan	Security Breach at Parliament House – Discussion with Parliamentary Services	<p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Earlier today there was a discussion around the security breach in parliament on 23 August this year, when an intruder, apart from having seemingly free access to the building and wandering around to various offices, actually got into the Prime Minister's press conference with the minister for immigration and presented a document to the Prime Minister in front of the national press. Has the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet had interaction with the Department of Parliamentary Services about the security implications of that?</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> Not as far as I am aware; we have not been involved in that incident.</p>	FPA, P89 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13



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				<p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> That would be handled by the protective—</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> It would be handled by her close personal protection.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Minister, could you take on notice, because I assume you are unable to answer now, what communication there was between the Prime Minister's office and the Department of Parliamentary Services about that breach in security? I am not asking for the content of it, necessarily, but I would like to know.</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> Yes, I am just thinking it through. If it is actually something that is handled by the close personal security officers it would probably be done through the AFP rather than through the Prime Minister's office. I am happy to see whether the Prime Minister's office has anything to say that might assist you.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> I would be surprised if staff members of the Prime Minister's office did not also have something to say to the Department of Parliamentary Services about that incident.</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> I will take it on notice, but I would just make the point that I suspect that if the personal protection people had concerns—I am sure they had concerns—they would have taken it up directly through their portfolio line of reporting I suppose. I am just trying to work out what that is.</p>			
20.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Outcome 1 General Questions	Ryan	Definition of Small Business	<p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Does PM&amp;C use a definition of small business? At my last count, there were a couple of dozen flying around different parts of the government—and there have been for many years. But do you have a definition of small business if you are asked in a policy sense to consider the impact for policy on small business?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Nothing immediately springs to mind in terms of a specific definition that we use, but I will certainly take that question on notice.</p>	FPA, P91 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
21.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	Ryan	White Paper on Asian Century	<p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Earlier I flagged the white paper about the Asian century. What is the cause of the delay in its release?</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> The white paper was announced in September last year and we have been developing the white paper through a consultation process, through</p>	FPA, P94- 95 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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	Outcome 1 General Questions			<p>drafting and policy analysis and through working with our external advisory panel. The government indicated in its terms of reference that, in mid-2012—</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> During the middle of the year.</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> They have also indicated recently that it will be released shortly.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Mid-2012 is not October, though. There is a delay here. The terms of reference here say that a white paper on Australia and the Asian century will be released in mid-2012. October cannot be considered 'mid', even by the most ambitious.</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> We have been working through the drafting and the process and the consultation. The government has indicated they intend to release it shortly.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> So the cause of the delay is what—iterative exchanges of drafts or it took longer to get a first draft than anticipated?</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> In the end, when to release it is a decision of the government.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> But we have just heard that it is not complete yet. So we know that it was not complete. If I had been told that it was complete but that the government had determined not to release it, then you would be quite right—the government can change its mind. But it is not complete.</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> We have been working through the process of consultation and drafting and analysis—</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> I made all the same excuses when I was seeking extensions at university too, Ms Quinn.</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> The reality is that it is a matter for the government when they release the white paper.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> But it is not complete now.</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> In the usual process of these things, things are not completed until they are released.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> But it is not complete now?</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> Any government document is not completed until it is released.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> No, it is completed before it released—by definition.</p>			

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				<p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> I think the answer is that the government determines when it is released. The government has indicated that it will be released shortly and it will be finalised in time for that, obviously.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> But the earlier discussion—if we go back to the <i>Hansard</i>—</p> <p><b>CHAIR:</b> Senator Ryan, the minister had the call. He was responding to your question. Please allow him to complete the answer.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> I did not ask him a question.</p> <p><b>CHAIR:</b> As you well know, the minister can make comment on any question placed before the witnesses. So please allow the minister to respond.</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> I was just trying to be helpful. The government has made it clear it will be released shortly and that will be the case.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Has the delay in its release—and, I assert, completion, given the earlier discussion—led to any change in the financial arrangements for the project? Have people working on it—outside people, whether it is the Prime Minister's Special Adviser or others—been paid more than was originally budgeted for? Are they working more days than you would have said if we had been having this discussion after the release of the terms of reference in September last year?</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> The budget for the task force has increased as the project has gone on.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> By how much?</p> <p><b>Ms Quinn:</b> I would have to take that on notice to give you an exact figure. Given that we did not have a precise end date in mind, there was always uncertainty about the exact financial cost of the process.</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> I should say that, at the time of the release, the department had its budget for that financial year—2011-12—but we had not broken down and allocated our budget for what is now the current financial year.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> I appreciate that.</p>			
22.	Department of the Prime	Mason	Australian Education Act -	<p><b>Senator MASON:</b> Sure, I was just wondering what the limbs of it will be. I understand about school autonomy—fair enough, the Prime Minister has spoken</p>	FPA, P99 15 October	4/12/12	7/2/13

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	minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy		Drafting	about that—principals having more autonomy and so forth, and I appreciate that, but I was wondering whether the Melbourne goals and standards, which are very important and which were set just a couple of years ago, would be replaced. Is that likely to happen?  <b>Ms Wilson:</b> I think it is too early to say. <b>Senator MASON:</b> Can you take that on notice? <b>Ms Wilson:</b> Yes.	2012		
23.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Siewert	Not-for-Profit Reforms	<b>Senator SIEWERT:</b> If there are no terms of reference it is a bit unclear for each sector how they interact—what they can expect from their advocate if the terms of reference are not common across the board.  <b>Mr Ronalds:</b> In a sense, the national compact sets out all the principles that the government is seeking to live out with the not-for-profit sector, and in one form that sets out a terms of reference for what the compact advocate is responsible for.  <b>Senator SIEWERT:</b> I presume the ABS survey is still underway. <b>Mr Ronalds:</b> It is underway. <b>Senator SIEWERT:</b> When is it expected to finish? <b>Mr Ronalds:</b> I will have to get you the date on notice. It was about a 12- or 18-month process.	FPA, P101 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
24.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Ronaldson	Super Trawler	<b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> It was a twofold question: one part was on legal advice; otherwise, it was on the management of that particular issue at that particular time in relation to what could be done to reduce the capacity of the <i>Abel Tasman</i> to trawl.  <b>Ms Taylor:</b> On your first question: PM&C was not involved in the procurement of legal advice for Minister Burke. That question would have been dealt with by his department.  <b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Did you see the legal advice? <b>Ms Taylor:</b> Can I take that on notice? I believe I have seen that legal advice,	FPA, P106 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>but I just need to clarify.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Can I ask you then: was further legal advice sought? Minister Burke initially just wanted to potentially hinder its operations, it seemed, by putting conditions on it. Was further legal advice obtained, because Minister Burke indicated initially that indeed he did not have the powers to remove the government's permission for this trawler to operate? Was a second set of legal advice obtained in relation to that particular aspect, and was PM&amp;C involved in that?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> I do not know the answer to that question. That question is best put to the environment department.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> You will take on notice the first question, will you, about the legal advice?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Yes, I will take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> What discussions did PM&amp;C have with Minister Burke's department in relation to the handling of this matter in a public sense?</p>			
25.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Ronaldson	Super Trawler - Compensation	<p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Obviously that was an issue that developed over some time, so we were informed as that issue developed.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> When were you first involved in the discussions?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> You said it was 'some time'. Was it prior to 3 September?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> I just cannot recall the specific date. I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Would you take that on notice. Were the discussions about legal advice? Were the discussions about the media management of the issue? Were the discussions involving cabinet? Was there a cabinet submission in relation to this matter?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> The discussions covered a range of issues.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Just give me a couple of examples of the range of issues.</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> For instance, sustainable fisheries management; management of matters of national environmental significance, which were matters of most concern to Mr Burke; and, obviously, legal advice and the operation of the EPBC Act came into some of those discussions.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Sorry, what did you say was the big issue for Minister</p>	FPA, P107-108 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>Burke?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Matters of national environmental significance.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> You do not know why this matter became of national environmental significance at this stage, whereas Minister Burke had authorised this trawler to operate in Australian waters before?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> I cannot comment on that.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> You see, a cynic would think that it became of national environmental significance when it became a political issue—that it certainly was not in the period before, when Minister Burke authorised it and the government authorised it. It suddenly became a matter of national environmental significance at some stage. Do you know when it became a matter of national environmental significance?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> I cannot speak for at what point something became more important to Minister Burke.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> You will take on notice, will you, when those discussions around that occurred?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> When those discussions first occurred, yes.<b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Has PMO had any indication about the amount of compensation that may need to be provided to the operators of the <i>Abel Tasman</i>?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Not to my knowledge.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Has there been no discussion between the PMO and Minister Burke's department about that?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Not to my knowledge.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Would it be to the knowledge of anyone else? Are you going to take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> We would not know the conversation between the PMO and Minister Burke's department.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> PM&amp;C, I should say.</p> <p><b>Ms Leon:</b> It would be unusual for the Prime Minister's office to talk directly to another department.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> PM&amp;C, not PMO, sorry. What discussions did PM&amp;C have in relation to that issue?</p>			

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				<p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> I am not aware. It is an issue really for SEWPac.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> So PM&amp;C did not have any discussions, was not in discussions, with Minister Burke's department about the compensation issue; is that what you are saying?</p> <p><b>Dr de Brouwer:</b> I will take that one on notice.</p>			
26.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Ronaldson	Super Trawler – Discussion with Other Govts	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Have discussions with the Dutch government in relation to this matter been handled by Foreign Affairs, or has there been some PM&amp;C involvement in discussions with the Dutch government?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> To my knowledge, PM&amp;C has not been involved in those discussions, if they have taken place. I presume they have.</p> <p><b>CHAIR:</b> Your final question, Senator Ronaldson.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> You will take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Ms Taylor:</b> Yes.</p>	FPA, P108 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
27.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Ronaldson	Release of PM's Correspondence with Corporate Affairs Commission	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> As you would be aware, ministers at the table who were conducting PM&amp;C estimates have in the past said that they will seek the Prime Minister's advice in relation to various matters. Will you now seek the Prime Minister's advice, please, as to whether she is prepared to authorise the release of the correspondence between her and the Western Australia corporate affairs commission?</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> I do not see this as having any relevance to estimates, but I will refer your question to her office. If she chooses to respond, that is for her.</p>	FPA, P108 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
28.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Ronaldson	Super Trawler	<p>In addition to the matters already taken on notice in Proof Hansard, 15 October 2012, pp. 103-108, particularly noting where Ms Marie Taylor stated that "I believe I have seen that legal advice" given to Mr Burke regarding the super-trawler:</p> <p>a. Can the department now confirm that it has seen this legal advice? If so, when did the department see this legal advice?</p>	Written Question	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>b. Ms Taylor mentioned that “we were in discussions with both of those different departments during the lead-up”. What were the dates of each of these discussions and what were each of these discussions about? What were the conclusions from each of these discussions?</p> <p>c. What recommendations were made by the department to Minister Burke and/or his department regarding how to act on that legal advice?</p> <p>d. Were possible actions recommended to Minister Burke and/or his department about how to ban and/or hinder or reduce the operations of the super-trawler Abel Tasman?</p> <p>e. Were discussions held with respect to taking action that contradicted the scientific evidence on the super-trawler given by the experts on the AFMA commission who approved the decision (which enabled the Abel Tasman to fish in the first place)?</p> <p>f. Were discussions held with respect to the potential consequences of going against this science-based advice, particularly for others thinking about investing in Australia?</p>			
29.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.2 National Security & International Policy	Ludlam	Wikileaks Briefing – Agencies Consulted	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> I have had about seven minutes, Chair. What agencies or departments were consulted in the preparation of the briefing? I will ask you to take that one on notice.</p> <p><b>Mr Sadleir:</b> I will take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> Can I just say that I suspect that the Minister for Foreign Affairs would have discussed with the Prime Minister things like asylum. They would have been issues that he would have been on top of.</p>	FPA, P111 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13



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30.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Payne	COAG - Reforms on Maritime Safety	I understand the COAG reforms on maritime safety are due to commence in January. Can you please outline what actions are still required to finalise and implement the reforms in the remaining months, and the expected timeframe?	Written Question	4/12/12	7/2/13
31.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Payne	COAG – Directors’ Liability Reforms	What is the status of the COAG Directors’ Liability reforms? Please outline the status of legislation across jurisdictions, any remaining actions to be undertaken to complete these reforms, and the expected timeframe.	Written Question	4/12/12	7/2/13
32.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Payne	COAG – National Credit Reforms	Please provide an update on the final National Credit Reforms in COAG. Have all jurisdictions agreed on the design of the final reforms? When will these reforms be complete?	Written Question	Transferred to Treasury (Senate Economics Committee)	
33.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.1 Domestic Policy	Siewert	Government Contracting with the Office of the Not for Profit Sector	<p>A) What part does the assessment of risk play in the awarding of grants and or the compliance and reporting obligations placed on a NFP recipient?</p> <p>B) What are the risks factors the Government uses to judge whether a grant should be awarded to a particular NFP recipient?</p> <p>C) Where an NFP entity has been regularly awarded grants by the Commonwealth, do they receive any dispensation in terms of reporting and compliance obligations? If so what, and if not why not?</p>	Written	4/12/12	7/2/13

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				<p>D) The Auditor General Act now authorises the Auditor General to do performance audits of grant recipients, has this new oversight function been factored in to a risk assessment framework? If so, how/ if not, why not?</p> <p>E) Are you collecting data about Government funding agreements with NFP entities. If yes, can you provide details of that data, including; how many grants have been made in total? How many required the grants to be acquitted with an audited financial statement? In relation to these grants how much money is spent on audited financial statements? Does a grant that has been acquitted with an audited financial statement improve the quality of the outcomes sought from the grant? If so, how?</p> <p>F) Are grant recipients expected to bear the cost of compliance and reporting obligations or are these provided for in the grant?</p> <p>G) There are a range of compliance and reporting obligations stipulated in NFP funding agreements used to monitor the delivery of outcomes from a grant. Have you costed those obligations and if so what inputs are included in the calculation?</p> <p>H) Is there an Act or regulation that the Government could cite that states the requirement to acquit a government grant using an audited financial statement?</p>			

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				I) Page 4 of the Explanatory Memorandum to the Australian Charities & Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC) Bill 2012 states that the Bill establishes a new regulatory framework for the sector. It also states that the sector's new regulatory system will establish a 'report-once, use-often' reporting framework. What work has been done by your agency to enable sharing of corporate/governance information between Departments and the ACNC?			
34.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.2 National Security & International Policy	Ludlam	Cyber White Paper	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Does that mean that it has more of an economic focus than a national security focus?</p> <p><b>Mr McKinnon:</b> It certainly has more of a digital community confidence or security focus than a national cybersecurity focus, yes.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Are there any budgetary implications of the decision to expand its terms of reference?</p> <p><b>Mr McKinnon:</b> No.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> The same number of people will be working on it?</p> <p><b>Mr McKinnon:</b> The Prime Minister, when she announced this indicated that BCDE would be leading some of the work with Prime Minister and Cabinet and DEEWR doing some of the other work, but effectively we already have a cross-portfolio team working in Prime Minister and Cabinet on this issue, so there are not significant ramifications.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> We are a bit short of time. Are you able to table the membership of—what do I call it, a task force?</p> <p><b>Mr McKinnon:</b> I cannot table that now. We can take that on notice and give you some details.</p>	FPA, P108-109 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
35.	Department of the Prime minister and	Ludlam	National Security Prioritisation	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> We are a bit short of time, and I want to move on to my last bracket. Recognising that I sprang these on you without warning, can you provide us on notice with anything that would help us understand how that</p>	FPA, P110 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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	Cabinet Outcome 1.1.2 National Security & International Policy			<p>prioritisation is done? Without letting out any sensitive national security information out of the bag, how is it done? For example, we hear from time to time that the biggest national security threat to Australia at the moment is violent terrorism. For example, I have heard that concept even over the last week or so. How do you balance out whether that is the case or whether it is food insecurity, direct armed invasion, climate change or economic instability, for example? Those things all fall within the rubric of national security.</p> <p><b>Mr McKinnon:</b> There is a discussion about whether all of those would, and there is no simple algorithm that you can construct that will put in all the inputs and give you a focus needing to be taken on something more than something else. Essentially, throughout the government, there are already horizon-scanning processes for risks and threats and, as I said, we then weigh up all of those risks—there is a process, cross-governmental, where we basically workshop those risks, we put focus groups on them, we think about possible contingencies—</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Yes, I do not want to cut you off, but I am aware that we are starting to run out of time.</p> <p><b>Mr McKinnon:</b> It does not lend itself to a simple resolution but is basically the whole community coming together, scanning the horizon for risks, discussing those, looking for capabilities and then thinking about where you end up.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Can you provide us with some written material on the framework for that decision-making process? Whatever you have behind the redrafting of whether it is a statement, a strategy—or whatever it is.</p> <p><b>Mr McKinnon:</b> We will take that on notice.</p>			
36.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.2 National Security & International	Ludlam	Reforms to National Security Legislation	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Can you provide us—again on notice and I will just zip through these really quickly—with the nature of the material provided; the dates that requests were made to you; how far back your involvement goes; whether or not the department was consulted on the terms of reference provided to the joint committee; and whether the department was asked to comment or to provide some of the background information which was provided and included for the public in the discussion paper released as part of that committee reference?</p>	FPA, P111 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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	Policy			<b>Mr Sadleir:</b> I am happy to take all that on notice.			
37.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.2 National Security & International Policy	Ludlam	Reforms to National Security Legislation – Briefing to PM	<b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> If you could answer this one now, that would be good—was the Prime Minister explicitly briefed, either through a question time brief or the other processes you mentioned before, on the data retention proposal or on any other individual proposals among the 44 identified in the terms of reference? <b>Mr Sadleir:</b> I will have to take that on notice as well.	FPA, P111 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
38.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.2 National Security & International Policy	Rhiannon	Sri Lankan High Commissioner	<b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> During the discussion of the appointment of the Sri Lankan High Commissioner, Mr Samarasinghe, was Prime Minister and Cabinet briefed by DFAT? <b>Ms Tsirbas:</b> I will have to take that question on notice.	FPA, P111 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
39.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.2 National Security & International Policy	Rhiannon	Sri Lankan High Commissioner	<b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> Could you also take on notice whether or not you were briefed by the AFP during the discussion of his appointment? Do you have any information about the appointment? <b>Ms Tsirbas:</b> Yes, I do. I believe a series of questions—on notice and during Senate estimates—relating to the appointment have already been answered. <b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> That is why I was now interested in building on some of those previous questions. Was PM&C briefed by DFAT or briefed by AFP? <b>Senator Chris Evans:</b> The officer has taken the first question on notice. We will take the second question on notice as well.	FPA, P111 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13
40.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet	Rhiannon	Sri Lankan High Commissioner	<b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> Did either of those departments have issues with the appointment of the High Commissioner? This is a similar question, but I am just asking it from the perspective of whether or not those departments were proactive. So my first questions were whether the department had sought	FPA, P112 15 October 2012	4/12/12	7/2/13

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	Outcome 1.1.2 National Security & International Policy			<p>briefing—I am trying to understand the process here—or whether, if either DFAT or AFP had had issues about the appointment of the High Commissioner, they would have taken the initiative in briefing PM&amp;C.</p> <p><b>Ms Tsirbas:</b> It is my understanding that AFP would not normally be involved in the process of agreement—the process by which a country seeks approval for the appointment of a high commissioner. The lead department for that is the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.</p> <p><b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> I am aware of that, but that is precisely why I am asking the question. You said 'not normally'. Does that mean that there are certain circumstances when they do get involved?</p> <p><b>Ms Tsirbas:</b> I am not aware of any but I would have to take that on notice to check.</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> Thank you for clarifying that. It was not immediately clear. Considering the <i>Age</i> on 24 January last year ran a story that PMC was aware that DFAT saw the appointment of Mr Samarasinghe as high commissioner as problematic—so that is in an Australian newspaper in January 2011—would PMC have considered that report and requested more information? You are about to take a high commissioner but it is identified in a newspaper that DFAT has found this problematic. So, working on the assumption that DFAT has not given you any information but it is now in the public domain, would you then seek further information about that? It is now more a process question—just how you handle these matters.</p> <p><b>Ms Tsirbas:</b> I would have to take that on notice. It is going quite a way into the past now</p>			
41.	Department of the Prime minister and Cabinet Outcome 1.1.3 Support Services for Government	Brandis	National Police Service Medal	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What representation was given to retired members to the committee to establish the medal?</li> <li>2. What representations were made by the Government to the Australian Police Association and police associations in other jurisdictions regarding the establishment of the medal?</li> <li>3. Given that many former members, who are now retired, were critical in</li> </ol>	Written Question	4/12/12	7/2/13

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	Operations			<p>establishing the award, what is the current position of the eligibility of those members? Will they continue to be excluded?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Given the qualifying service criteria has been established at “a minimum of 15 years service”, on what basis was this criteria established?</li> <li>5. Is 15 years minimum service too arbitrary a delineation for the qualifying criteria?</li> <li>6. On what basis was it decided that the medal would not be awarded retrospectively?</li> <li>7. Is consideration being given to changing the qualifying criteria circumstances in which the medal may be awarded?</li> <li>8. Will consideration be given to officers who have been forced to retired because of injury of illness be considered for qualification?</li> <li>9. How much has been allocated to the NPSM in the Budget?</li> </ol>			
42.	Australian National Audit Office	Ryan	Dividend from the Reserve Bank – Accounting Treatment	<p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Mr McPhee, I would like to turn to your advice regarding the dividend from the Reserve Bank of Australia and its treatment in the final budget outcome. Why did you believe this change in accounting treatment was necessary? If there is an easy document to point me to or if it is easier to give me something in writing, feel free, given the time.</p> <p><b>Mr McPhee:</b> I am more than happy to provide you with a brief response in writing, if you would like. Basically we were particularly looking for alignment in accounting policies between the Reserve Bank, who treated the dividend as an accounts payable, and the Treasury, picking up the receivable end from the Commonwealth point of view. So it was to get the accounting policies aligned, but we can give you a more fulsome response if you like.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> Sure. Thank you—I would appreciate that, not being an accountant.</p>	FPA, P114 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13
43.	Australian National Audit Office	Ryan	RBA Dividend	<p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> So, in shorthand, there has been no change to the cash accounting treatment. There has been a mistake in the accrual accounting treatment, which initially put it in the wrong year but which your advice has corrected.</p> <p><b>Mr McPhee:</b> I think we are saying that better treatment is the way Treasury has now presented the position. The important thing from the government point of view and the budget point of view is that the cash accounting stays the same as</p>	FPA, P116 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13

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				<p>it has always been.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> I can imagine why the government would keep the cash accounting the same. When did you first raise the accrual accounting treatment in this dividend with the government?</p> <p><b>Mr McPhee:</b> Just broadly, within the last month or so.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> You can take on notice when you first raised it. Is this the same story as for the Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation dividend? <b>Mr Watson:</b> It is a similar story. I think the dividend was declared on 22 or 23 June, whereas the RBA dividend was declared on around 28 August. One was in June, so that has to be recognised fully in the year.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> So the one from June is recognised in 2011-12?</p> <p><b>Mr Watson:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> The declaration of the dividend when it is recognised in a cash sense, not an accrual sense?</p> <p><b>Mr Watson:</b> That one was clear because it came through before the end of June.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> It is because they were both in the same year, sure. I will put the rest of those questions on notice so as to save time because I will need to reconsider. Did you provide advice on the change to the accounting treatment of the reinsurance pool dividend?</p> <p><b>Mr Watson:</b> No, I think that was fairly straightforward.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> So there was no correction to that?</p> <p><b>Mr Watson:</b> No.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> I have been misadvised then. Are you providing ongoing advice to Treasury and Finance about treatment of dividends in the upcoming MYEFO for 2012-13 and the 2013-14 budget?</p> <p><b>Mr Watson:</b> We do not comment on the budget construct, as it were. We are only on the statutory accounts.</p> <p><b>Senator RYAN:</b> I will put the rest of my questions on notice.</p>			



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44.	Australian National Audit Office	Milne	Audit of Defence Integrated Distribution Services Contract	<p>It was reported in September this year that your office intended to conduct a full audit of the outsourcing of the management of Defence Department warehouses under the Defence Integrated Distribution Services contract.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Will this audit occur?</li> <li>2. Has this audit commenced?</li> <li>3. Will the audit cover an assessment of why the Department is not pursuing its contractual rights against the Tenix-Toll consortium to be reimbursed for missing stock which allegedly includes rifles, ammunition and furniture?</li> <li>4. Will the audit assess precisely what stock has gone missing?</li> <li>5. Will the audit cover an assessment of the timing and nature of the insertion of 'amendment 69', which replaced financial liabilities provisions with 'further discussion provisions'?</li> </ol>	Written	30/11/12	7/2/13
45.	Australian Public Service Commission	Faulkner	Career Development Assessment Centre	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> I wanted to ask, if I could, whether you are able to provide a list of course attendees of the Public Service Commission's Career Development Assessment Centre—CDAC—program.</p> <p><b>Mr Sedgwick:</b> A list of the attendees?</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> If I am able to provide a date, are you able to provide a list of attendees for me, or are there privacy concerns?</p> <p><b>Mr Sedgwick:</b> That is the thing I would need to check.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> That is why I am asking.</p> <p><b>Mr Sedgwick:</b> Can I check that? Can I take that on notice to check the privacy issue? Is there a particular interest?</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> There is a particular interest. I am interested in progressing a matter where I was bucketed at one of these programs. So I am very interested in it.</p> <p><b>Mr Sedgwick:</b> That is news to me. I am quite happy to pursue that matter for</p>	FPA, P118 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13

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				you, if you want.			
46.	Australian Public Service Commission	Faulkner	Career Development Assessment Centre	<p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> I have got the dates for these and I am asking you whether there are privacy issues in you providing a list of attendees?</p> <p><b>Mr Sedgwick:</b> I will answer that question on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> Industry and otherwise.</p> <p><b>Mr Sedgwick:</b> Yes. I will also say to you that if you want to talk to me privately about that, I will pursue it for you.</p> <p><b>Senator FAULKNER:</b> Thank you. I do appreciate that. I have raised one other matter with you privately and I appreciated the opportunity to do that. At this stage, I am asking whether there are privacy implications, and if there are I certainly, in the first instance, would like to know that, and we will take it from there.</p> <p><b>Mr Sedgwick:</b> Sure.</p>	FPA, P118-119 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13
47.	National Mental Health Commission	Fierravanti -Wells	2012-13 Budget Expense - Breakdown	<p><b>Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS:</b> What is left over of the 2012-13 budgeted expense for the financial year, including a breakdown of administered departmental expenses? If you do not have these figures, please take them on notice.</p> <p><b>Ms Kruk:</b> I am quite happy to actually—I know what your concerns are.</p>	FPA P76 15 October 2012	28/11/12	7/2/13
48.	Office of the Inspector- General of Intelligence and Security	Ludlam	Reforms of National Security Legislation - Consultation	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> That is understated, but nonetheless I take your point. Have you as yet conducted any inquiries or followed up any queries or complaints arising from amendments made to the Intelligence Services Legislation Amendment Act 2011? It reasonably recently passed the chamber.</p> <p><b>Dr Thom:</b> I am going to have to look and see what the actual changes were subsequent to that legislation.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Do you want to take that one on notice?</p> <p><b>Dr Thom:</b> I will take that one on notice because I think it is difficult for us to ascertain in any particular inspection what arises as a result of those amendments and what arises in the normal course of the work. So I will take that one on notice. I have in front of me the changes, but it will take it on notice.</p>	FPA, P119-120 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13

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49.	Office of the Inspector- General of Intelligence and Security	Ludlam	T(IA) Act 1979	<p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> I have a question about the annual report and the T(IA) Act 1979. I do not know if this is something you can help us with or if I should put this to the Attorney's department, because I believe another iteration of the annual report is probably due any day or any week now. When we are listing a record of the agencies that surveill Australians, ASIO is not required to report. It does not have reporting obligations under the T(IA) Act. Do you know and can you tell us what other agencies conduct surveillance activities on Australian citizens that do not have reporting obligations under that act?</p> <p><b>Dr Thom:</b> To my knowledge, ASIO is the only agency that has exemption from that reporting regime.</p> <p><b>Senator LUDLAM:</b> Knowing that I just ambushed you with that one, could you just check to ensure and provide us with any additional info on notice?</p>	FPA, P120 15 October20 12	30/11/12	7/2/13
50.	Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor- General	Ronaldson	Approval of Mr Fraser's leave	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> The program was released in October-November last year—and you are saying the leave was approved prior to that?</p> <p><b>Ms Baker:</b> It was certainly towards the end of last year but it could well have been after the schedule. We would have to take that on notice and check for you.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> So, Mr Brady, why would you tell me that it was approved prior to that, and that that was the reason Mr Fraser is not here?</p> <p><b>Mr Brady:</b> That was my understanding. I will check.</p>	FPA, P58 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13
51.	Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor- General	Polley/ Ronaldson	Public Interest Immunity	<p><b>CHAIR:</b> Mr Brady, Senator Ronaldson asked you a question which you previously had taken on notice. I now ask whether you are taking that question and your response is one of public interest immunity. Is that what you are putting to the committee? Is that the position you have?</p> <p><b>Mr Brady:</b> Madam Chair, it is the chancellor of the order who is charged with the administration of the honours system. What we have been discussing this afternoon seems to me to raise a significant issue of separation of powers. There is a constitutional dilemma which, my assumption is, will be resolved by the Federal Court at the hearing on 23 November. My view is that there may be a public interest immunity but I need to seek advice whether I can exercise that as an official or indeed only the Governor-General advising me that I could do it. I feel I am in a quandary and need to seek advice. So I ask that I take it on notice.</p>	FPA, P61 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13

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				<p><b>CHAIR:</b> In relation to your comments to the committee, we have said 30 November 2012 as the date for the return of answers to questions taken on notice. So I have to say that some members of the committee have not been satisfied with the answers provided thus far. I remind you that we will be seeking an adequate response by 30 November 2012.</p> <p><b>Mr Brady:</b> Thank you, Madam Chair.</p>			
52.	Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor- General	Ronaldson	Position of Director, Executive and Protocol	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> I have a large number of questions. I suspect I will have to put some on notice. The position of Director, Executive and Protocol, when did that commence?</p> <p><b>Mr Brady:</b> On 9 February 2009.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> And what is the job description of the position or the incumbent?</p> <p><b>Ms Baker:</b> We will take that question on notice. We can provide the duty statement, if you wish.</p>	FPA, P61 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13
53.	Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor- General	Ronaldson	Speeches written during Jubilee	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> You might want to take this on notice. What speeches did Ms O'Grady write for the Governor-General during the jubilee process, for example?</p> <p><b>Mr Brady:</b> We will have to take that on notice.</p>	FPA, P62 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13
54.	Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor- General	Ronaldson	Financial requirement for economy class travel	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> So there was no Finance requirement for economy-class travel until two weeks ago. Could you provide that letter for me and I will put some other requests on notice.</p> <p>Mr Brady, have you returned early from any trips that you have been on, that you are aware of?</p> <p><b>Mr Brady:</b> Overseas trips?</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Mr Brady:</b> Not to my recollection.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Do you want to take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Mr Brady:</b> I will.</p>	FPA, P63- 64 15 October 2012	30/11/12	7/2/13

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55.	Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor- General	Ronaldson	Legal Matter against Ms Kline	<p>With respect to the costs of the legal matter against Ms Kline:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What now are the total legal and other costs, thus far, associated with pursuing the case to refuse Ms Kline access to documents including “working manuals, policy guidelines and criteria related to the administration of the awards”?</li> <li>What are the projected total legal and other costs, from start to finish, if this case is finalised before the Full Court of Federal Court of Australia, in the cases of both the office succeeding and failing in the appeal?</li> <li>Does the office have a provisional allocation for future legal expenditure for this matter? How much is this allocation?</li> <li>What are the names of all the legal counsel and law firms that the office has employed in pursuing this case, noting the office has in the past mentioned the Australian Government Solicitor? What are the individual costs thus far associated with each counsel and each law firm employed by the office? Please give a breakdown of costs.</li> <li>What are the total hours, or an estimate of the total hours, spent by the office on this case? How long has this case gone on for now?</li> <li>If the office loses the appeal before the Full Court of the Federal Court of Australia, would it then seek to appeal the case before the High Court? What would be the projected additional legal and other costs associated with bringing this case before the High Court, in the cases of both the office succeeding and failing in an appeal?</li> </ol>	Written	30/11/12	7/2/13

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56.	Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor- General	Ronaldson	Provision of Documents requested by Ms Kline to the Committee	<p>With reference to the Proof Hansard, 15 October 2012, pp.59-61, the office again refused to provide the documents requested by Ms Kline to the Committee, without any public interest immunity being claimed. Given that the office stated in its Answers to Questions of Notice (reference PM117) that these documents “do not form part of the Council’s decision-making processes” and that these documents are “better described as a reference guide...a compilation of timeline templates, technical and formatting advice, suggestions, protocols, database instructions, research tips and examples...to assist staff in their work”:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What does the office see is the public interest in not providing these seemingly administrative documents (of a trivial nature as reported by the office) to Ms Kline in the first place as against pursuing this case in the courts (with the associated current and projected legal and other costs, as well as time wasted)?</li> <li>How does the office’s answer that these documents “do not form part of the Council’s decision-making processes” correspond to the office’s previous comments in Senate Estimates on 13 February 2012 that the public release of the material “...could inadvertently damage the public interest and the confidentiality and privacy that underpins the Australian honours process”?</li> <li>What information is contained within the documents which are, as the office state, a “compilation of timeline templates, technical and formatting advice, suggestions, protocols, database instructions, research tips and examples” that could possibly compromise the Honours system? How could the release of any of this information result in an individual’s privacy being breached?</li> <li>Why are these documents not of an administrative nature, given that the office has already declared that they are documents of a seemingly trivial nature?</li> </ol> <p>Does the office claim public interest immunity with respect to these documents? If so, on what basis? In asking this question, please that the provision of these documents under FOI to an individual is a separate matter to providing these documents to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee when requested, noting that these documents must be provided unless a public interest</p>	Written	30/11/12	7/2/13

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				immunity is claimed, in accordance with Resolution 8 agreed to by the Senate.			
57.	Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor- General	Ronaldson	Travel – Mr Brady	<p>In addition to matters already taken on notice in the Proof Hansard, 15 October 2012, pp. 64-65, with respect to whether the Secretary, Mr Brady, had returned early from any trips he had been on, can the office also:</p> <p>g. Provide all details of commercial flights, class, date/s and cost of travel, and the date that the booking change was made?</p> <p>h. Advise who authorised the amendment to the travel plans?</p>	Written	30/11/12	7/2/13
58.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	2012-13 Budget Appropriations	To date, how much of the 2012-13 budget appropriations has your department received?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 DPMC4/12/2012 ANAO – see Finance response	7/2/13
59.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	2012-13 Grant Program	For 2012-13 please list each grant program your department administers, and the total funding of each program.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012 ANAO – see Finance response	7/2/13
60.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and	Ryan	Government Programs not Paused	Please list each grant program that has not been paused as part of the Government wide grants pause.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012	7/2/13

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	Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee					DPMC 4/12/2012	
61.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Cash Value of Programs not Paused	Please provide the total cash value of each program that has not been paused?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
62.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Paused Grants	Please list each grant program that has currently been "paused" as part of the Government wide grants pause.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO – see Finance response OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
63.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Cash Value of Paused Grants	Please provide the total cash value of each program that has been paused, and the total value of all grants paused?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO – see Finance response OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
64.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and	Ryan	Paused Grants – Date and Authority	On what date did your department receive advice from the government to pause certain grants programs?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO– see Finance response OIGIS 30/11/2012	7/2/13



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	Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee			How was the instruction received, and from whom was it received?		OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	
65.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Paused Grants – Discussions with Finance	Please list the dates the Minister for Finance met with senior department officials to discuss the grants pause and the Minister overseeing your department met with senior department officials	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
66.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants Pause – Implementation Date	From what date was your department told to implement the grants pause?  a) When did it do so?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO– see Finance response OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
67.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants Pause – Information on Cessation of Pause	Has your department been provided with information regarding when the grants pause would end?  a) If so, what was the date? b) Was your department advised if it could communicate when the grants pause would end to grant applicants?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO– see Finance response OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
68.	Department of the Prime	Ryan	Grants Pause – Advice to Finance	Please provide the advice your department gave to Department of Finance	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012	7/2/13

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	Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee		on Inclusion	regarding which programs should be included in the grants pause.		ANAO– see Finance response OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	
69.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants Pause – Advice from Finance on Communication with Applicants	Did your department receive advice/instruction from the Department of Finance regarding how best to communicate the grants pause to grant applicants, the media and other external stakeholders?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO– see Finance response OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
70.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants Pause – Information to Applicants	What information has been provided to grant applicants regarding the grants pause? Please provide scripts if these have been given to call centres, or any other information sheets which have been used internally for discussing the grants pause with applicants.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
71.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants Pause – Advice from Finance on Further Pauses	Has your department been advised by the Department of Finance of further grants pauses in the future? If so <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) When did you receive notification of future grants pauses?</li> <li>b) What is the date of future grants to be paused</li> <li>c) Which grants programs will be paused?</li> <li>d) What is total value of pauses in future grants programs?</li> <li>e) When will notification of these future grants pauses be made public?</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO – see Finance response OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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72.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants Programs – Staffing Numbers	How many staff are employed to administer grant programs within the department?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
73.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants Pause – Staff Activities During Pause	During the Grants Pause what activities are these staff involved with?  a) Have staff been moved to other divisions during the grants pause?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
74.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grant Pause – Decision Process	During the Grants Pause are decisions on grants being made, but applicants not being alerted?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
75.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to	Ryan	Staffing – Recruited	How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?  How many non ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?  This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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	appear before the Committee			contract and what is the average length of their employment period?			
76.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Staffing – Departures 2011- 12	How many ongoing staff left the department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?  How many non ongoing staff left department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?  How many contract staff left department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
77.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Staffing – Recruitment 2011-12	How many ongoing staff were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?  How many non ongoing staff were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?  How many contract staff left were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff? What is the average length of their employment period?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
78.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Staffing – Plans for Reduction	Are there any plans for staff reduction? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.  If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
79.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and	Ryan	Public Service Efficiency	Please detail how the department/agency will achieve savings over the forward estimates through pursuing further efficiencies in the way the public service operates (see media release by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation and the Special Minister of State of 25 September 2012	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012	7/2/13

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	Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee			<a href="http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_1982012.html">http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_1982012.html</a> ).  In addition, please provide the following detail:  How will reductions in air travel spending be achieved? What is the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?  What restrictions will be implemented for business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?  How will the use of external consultants and contractors be reduced? How will this impact on the Department/agency? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?  How will the department/agency manage moving recruitment advertising online? Will all future recruitment advertisement be online only? If not, explain why. What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?  How will printing costs be reduced? Explain if and how the department/agency will reduce its printing costs by five per cent, or if it will not, why not? How will it be determined what documents will no longer be printed? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?		DPMC 4/12/2012	
80.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Recruitment Costs 2011-12	How much was spent on recruitment advertising in 2011-12? How much of this was spent online and how much of this was spent on print advertising?  Please list where recruitment advertising was listed online and in print media.  How much has been spent on recruitment advertising this financial year to date? How much of this was spent online and how much of this was spent on print	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				advertising?  Please list where recruitment advertising was listed online and in print media.			
81.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Printing Costs 2011-12	How much was spent on printing 2011-12? Of this amount, how much was for printing documents?  How many documents (include the amount of copies) were printed in 2011-12? How many of these printed documents were also published online?  Of the documents that were printed in 2011-12, where were they delivered and what was the cost?  How much has been spent on printing this financial year to date? Of this amount, how much was for printing documents?  How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed this financial year to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
82.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Graduate Recruitment	How much has been spent on 2013 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.  Has any travel been incurred for 2013 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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83.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Graduate	How much is estimated to be spent on 2013 Graduate Training? Provide details of what training is to be provided, why and the estimated cost for each.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
84.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Government Advertising	<p>What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date?</p> <p>Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.</p> <p>Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</p> <p>Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</p> <p>Did the Advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Provide the details for each advertising item.</p> <p>Provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services.</p> <p>What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the Department/Agency undertaking, or are planning to undertake?</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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85.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Government Advertising 2011- 12	<p>What was the total cost of all advertising for 2011-12?</p> <p>Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.</p> <p>Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</p> <p>Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</p> <p>Did the Advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Provide the details for each advertising item.</p> <p>Provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services that was undertaken in 2011-12.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
86.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Hospitality and Entertainment	<p>What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>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 each event.</p> <p>What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13



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				<p>and cost of each event.</p> <p>What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</p> <p>What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</p> <p>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?</p>			
87.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Hospitality and Entertainment 2011-12	<p>What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for 2011-12. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</p> <p>What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				entertainment spend for 2011-12. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.			
88.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Board Appointments	<p>List all of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members.</p> <p>What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?</p> <p>Please detail any board appointments for this financial year to date</p>	Written	OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC, APSC, ANAO 4/12/2012	7/2/13
89.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Board Appointments 2011-12	<p>List all of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members for 2011-12.</p> <p>What was the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio for 2011-12?</p>	Written	OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC, APSC, ANAO 4/12/2012	7/2/13
90.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Freedom of Information Requests	<p>Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests?</p> <p>What is the total cost to the department/agency to process FOI requests for 2011-12? How many FOI requests did the department/agency receive in 2011-12? How many requests were denied and how many were granted? Did the department fail to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many? Do any of these requests remain outstanding?</p> <p>What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date?</p> <p>How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				date? How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted? Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?			
91.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Community Cabinet Meetings	<p>How many Community Cabinet meetings has the Minister attended this financial year to date? List date and location.</p> <p>How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? What was the total cost of this travel? List travel type, accommodate and any other expenses. Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location.</p> <p>What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
92.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Community Cabinet Meetings 2011-12	<p>How many Community Cabinet meetings did the Minister attend in 2011-12? List date and location.</p> <p>How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for 2011-12? What was the total cost of this travel? List travel type, accommodate and any other expenses. Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location.</p> <p>What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for 2011-12?</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
93.	Department of the Prime Minister and	Ryan	Reviews Undertaken	<p>For this financial year to date:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many Reviews are being undertaken?</li> </ul>	Written	OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC,	7/2/13

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	Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded?</li> <li>• Which of these reviews has been provided to Government?</li> <li>• When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?</li> <li>• Has the Government responded to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not?</li> <li>• What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews?</li> <li>• What reviews are planned?</li> <li>• When will each of these reviews be concluded?</li> </ul>		APSC, ANAO 4/12/2012	
94.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Reviews Undertaken 2011- 12	<p>For 2011-12:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many reviews were undertaken</li> <li>• Where all reviews have, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded?</li> <li>• Which of these reviews has been provided to Government?</li> <li>• Did the Government respond to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not?</li> <li>• What was the estimated cost of each of these reviews</li> </ul>	Written	OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC, APSC, ANAO 4/12/2012	7/2/13
95.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Consultancies	<p>How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.</p> <p>How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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96.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Consultancies 2011-12	How many consultancies were undertaken in 2011-12? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
97.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Media Monitoring	<p>What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for this financial year to date?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Which agency or agencies provided these services?</li> <li>• What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</li> <li>• What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?</li> </ul> <p>What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for this financial year to date?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Which agency or agencies provided these services?</li> <li>• What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</li> <li>• What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
98.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Media Monitoring 2011-12	<p>What was the actual total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for 2011-12?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Which agency or agencies provided these services?</li> <li>• What was the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2011-12?</li> </ul> <p>What was the actual total cost of media monitoring services, including press</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for 2011-12? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Which agency or agencies provided these services?</li> <li>What was the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2011-12?</li> </ul>			
99.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Social Media	<p>Has there been any changes to department and agency social media or protocols about staff access and useage of Youtube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since May 2012 Budget Estimates? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issue.</p> <p>Does the department/agency monitor usage of social media?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If yes, provide details of the useage (for example details could include average hours per employee, hours when useage peaks)</li> <li>If no, will the department/agency monitor usage in the future?</li> </ul> <p>Does social media impact on employee productivity? Provide details (details could include increased internet usage in general or increased internet usage in standard business hours)</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
100.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Internet	Has the Department experienced any internet problems, such as but not limited to slow internet, or internet blackouts? If yes, what was the reason for this? Did it impact the Minister's office?	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
101.	Department of the Prime Minister and	Ryan	Staff Amenities	What amenities are provided to staff? Provide a list.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012	7/2/13

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	Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee					OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	
102.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Coffee Machines	<p>Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.</p> <p>Why were coffee machines purchased?</p> <p>Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in 2011-12 and how much this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
103.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Contractors	<p>For this financial year to date:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting &amp; UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting &amp; UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey &amp; Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey &amp; Company? If yes, provide details.</li> <li>What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> </ul>			
104.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to	Ryan	Contractors 2011-12	<p>For 2011-12:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13



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	appear before the Committee			<p>capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting &amp; UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting &amp; UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</li> <li>• Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey &amp; Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey &amp; Company? If yes, provide details.</li> <li>• What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If</li> </ul>			

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				yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).			
105.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants	<p>Could the department/agency provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.</p> <p>Have all grant agreement details been published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
106.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Grants 2011-12	<p>Could the department/agency provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for 2011-12? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.</p> <p>Were all grant agreement details published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
107.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Commissioned Reports 2011-12	<p>How many Reports were commissioned by the Government in your department/agency in 2011-12? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level?</li> <li>What is the current status of each report? Did the Government report within the required timeframe? If not, when is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</li> </ul>	Written	OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC, APSC, ANAO 4/12/2012	7/2/13
108.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and	Ryan	Commissioned Reports	How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency this financial year to date? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.	Written	OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC, APSC, ANAO 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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	Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level?</li> <li>What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</li> </ul>			
109.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Payment of Accounts	<p>For this financial year to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e.within 30 days)?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached)</li> <li>For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</li> <li>Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
110.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Payment of Accounts 2011-12	<p>For 2011-12, did the department/agency pay its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e.within 30 days)?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached)</li> <li>For accounts not paid within 30 days, is/was interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</li> <li>Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</li> <li>Have all accounts from 2011-12 been paid? If no, why not?</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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111.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Stationery Requirements	How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (i.e. paper, envelopes, with compliments slips) this financial year to date?  What is the department/agency's stationery costs for the financial year to date?	Written	APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
112.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Stationery requirements 2011-12	How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (i.e. paper, envelopes, with compliments slips) in 2011-12?  What is the department/agency's stationery costs for 2011-12?	Written	APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
113.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Media Subscriptions	Has there been any change to your pay TV subscription since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.</li> <li>• What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ul> Has there been any change to your newspaper subscriptions since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.</li> <li>• What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ul> Has there been any change to your magazine subscriptions since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines.</li> <li>• What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				<p>What was the 2011-12 cost for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TV subscriptions</li> <li>• Newspaper subscriptions</li> <li>• Magazine subscriptions</li> </ul> <p>Does the department/agency provide any media subscriptions to its Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries? If yes, provide details of what is provided and the cost this financial year to date and for 2011-12.</p>			
114.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Travel Costs	<p>For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p> <p>For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p> <p>Are the Government's Lowest Practical Fare travel policy for Domestic Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/10) and Best Fare of the Day for International Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/11) guidelines being followed? How is the department/agency following the advice? How is this monitored? If the guidelines are not being followed, please explain why.</p> <p>Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships.</p> <p>When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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115.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Travel Costs 2011-12	<p>For 2011-12, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p> <p>For 2011-12, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
116.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Legal Costs 2011-12	<p>What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 in private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
117.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Legal Costs	<p>What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				<p>What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p>			
118.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Education Expenses	<p>Has there been a change to the department/agency's guidelines on study since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012)? If yes, please provide details.</p> <p>For this financial year to date, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
119.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Education Expenses 2011-12	For 2011-12, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
120.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies	Ryan	Executive Coaching & Leadership Training	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Total spending on these services</li> <li>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment</li> </ol>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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	required to appear before the Committee			<p>classification</p> <p>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>4. The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide:</p> <p>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification</p> <p>5. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>e) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>i. The location used</p> <p>6. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>7. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>ii. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
121.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Executive Coaching & Leadership Training 2011-12	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for 2011-12:</p> <p>1. Total spending on these services</p> <p>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13



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				<p>4. The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide:</p> <p>f) The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>g) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>h) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification</p> <p>5. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>i) The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>j) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>iii. The location used</p> <p>6. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>7. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>iv. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
122.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Media Training	<p>In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:</p> <p>1. Total spending on these services</p> <p>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>4. The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide:</p> <p>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				<p>5. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>6. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>c) The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>d) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>i. The location used</p> <p>ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>iv. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>			
123.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Media Training 2011-12	<p>In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for 2011-12:</p> <p>1. Total spending on these services</p> <p>2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>4. The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide:</p> <p>e) The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>f) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>5. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>6. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				g) The total amount spent on the service h) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)  Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: v. The location used vi. The number of employees who took part on each occasion vii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) viii. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location			
124.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Paid Parental Leave	Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?  For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
125.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Paid Parental Leave 2011-12	For 2011-12 to date which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
126.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies	Ryan	Portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries Training	For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for.  For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for staff of	Written	OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC, APSC, ANAO 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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	required to appear before the Committee			Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for.  For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for designed to better suit the needs of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for, and how many employees attended and their classification.			
127.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries Training 2011-12	For 2011-12, how much has been spent on training for Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for.  For 2011-12, how much has been spent on training for staff of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for.  For 2011-12, how much has been spent on training for designed to better suit the needs of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for, and how many employees attended and their classification.	Written	OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC, NMHC, APSC, ANAO 4/12/2012	7/2/13
128.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Corporate cars	Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2012-13 (May 2012): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How cars are owned by each department/agency?</li> <li>Where is the car/s located?</li> <li>What is the car/s used for?</li> <li>What is the cost of each car for this financial year to date?</li> <li>How far did each car travel this financial year to date?</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
129.	Department of the Prime	Ryan	Corporate Cars 2011-12	For 2011-12: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How cars are owned by each department/agency?</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012	7/2/13

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	Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where is the car/s located?</li> <li>What is the car/s used for?</li> <li>What was the cost of each car?</li> <li>How far did each car travel?</li> </ul>		OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	
130.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Taxi Costs	<p>How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>What are the reasons for taxi costs?</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
131.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Taxi Costs 2011- 12	<p>How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2011-12? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>What are the reasons for taxi costs?</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
132.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Credit Cards	<p>Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.</p> <p>Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2012-13 (May 2012):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused?</li> <li>How is corporate credit card use monitored?</li> <li>What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered?</li> <li>Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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				<p>action taken.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?</li> </ul>			
133.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Credit Card Misuse 2011-12	<p>For 2011-12 how many instances of corporate credit card misuse were there? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.</p>	Written	<p>NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012</p>	7/2/13
134.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Provision of Equipment	<p>For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs.</p> <p>For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date? What were the running costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?</p> <p>Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.</p> <p>Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012): Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.</p>	Written	<p>NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012</p>	7/2/13

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135.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Provision of Equipment 2011- 12	<p>For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12.</p> <p>For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of electronic equipment was provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12.</p> <p>Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) was provided to department/agency staff for 2011-12, provide details of what was provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
136.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Electricity Pricing 2011-12	<p>Provide details of any update of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement if there has been a change since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012).</p> <p>What are the department/agency electricity costs for 2011-12?</p> <p>What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
137.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Shredder Purchases	<p>Did the department/agencies purchased any shredders in 2011-12? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.</p> <p>Has the department/agencies purchased any shredders since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012)? ? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13

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138.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Ryan	Protective Security Policy Framework	Provide an update for your department/agency, including what is your current compliance level, what are you doing to manage risk, what is being done to comply with the mandatory requirements and details of any department/agency specific policies and procedures.	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
139.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	McKenzie	Electricity Usage	<p>For the financial year 2011-2012, how many kilowatt hour of electricity did the department consume? What was the total cost?</p> <p>What does this cost work out to per employee? What increases in electricity costs has the Department experienced since the introduction of the carbon tax?</p> <p>How has this changed the Department's spending pattern? What programs or services have been cut to meet the increased costs?</p> <p>What measures is the Department taking to reduce its electricity expenditure? When did these commence? What impact have they had?</p>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 29/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13
140.	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Portfolio Agencies required to appear before the Committee	Scullion	Indigenous Expenditure	<p>Please indicate whether the program/measure listed below is still operating in 2012-13. If they are still operating, please provide by program/ measure the current allocation and expenditure year to date (please indicate in respect of any of these programs/measures s if information has already been provided):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recruitment and Retention of Indigenous employee's</li> </ul>	Written	NMHC 28/11/2012 APSC 30/11/2012 ANAO 30/11/2012 OIGIS 30/11/2012 OOSGG 30/11/2012 DPMC 4/12/2012	7/2/13