

Q No.	AG/ MHAJ	Program: Division or Agency	Senator	Broad Tropic	Question	Proof Hansard Page and Hearing Date or Written Question
1.	MHAJ	Customs	Xenophon	Investigation of Customs officers	<p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> ... I note from media reports that one of the alleged key players who has been charged in this scandal, a Customs officer, was arrested in 2008 by New South Wales police for having a number of bags of cocaine in his car. He admitted that he was a user. My understanding is that when he went to the courts on those charges there were a number of Customs officers who attended at the court to give him support.</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> So the short answer is: if one of your Customs officers has been charged with possession of an illegal substance, they will be suspended?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> And then if they are found guilty that would weigh on the decision maker in terms of their future status.</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> How is it that the New South Wales police did not communicate with Customs following the arrest of this person and this person continued to be in border security, border control?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> The short answer to your question is that the trial in question, which occurred in the Burwood Local Court, occurred in June 2009, literally the month before I joined the service, so I have no idea, but I will take it—</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> But he was picked up in 2008.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> He was actually arrested in early 2009 and he appeared in court on 17 June 2009. The short answer to your question is: I have no idea. If there is anything I can usefully come back to you with, I will.</p>	L&C 9-10 12/02/2013

2.	MHAJ	Customs	Xenophon	Protocols for reporting arrests of law enforcement officers	<p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I have a higher level of confidence because there is a formal network that has been now set up between the various professional standards parts of the different law enforcement agencies that did not exist in mid-2009, and I have a very high level of assurance in relation to federal agencies because of the close relationship we have with the Federal Police professional standards and with ACLEI.</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> I understand that but, in reality, if someone has been caught for an offence of dishonesty or theft or fraud or drug use—or even trafficking, for that matter—the state police would normally be the first port of call.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> In the first instance, that is right.</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> Can you, on notice, provide me with the details of those protocols?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Yes.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> But is there any protocol in place? Is there a shared database with state police forces so that, if a Customs officer is picked up and they have not disclosed to the state police that they are a Customs officer, that would automatically be flagged? That seems to be a sure-fire—</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I will wrap the response to that in the answer to the question I have taken on notice as to whether there are databases or IT based systems or whether there are—</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> But there is not one at the moment, is there?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I will check and I will come back in the question I have taken on notice.</p>	L&C 10-11 12/02/2013
3.	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	SIEV detection 5 December 2012	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> On 5 December last year, I understand that two Bay class vessels, the ACV <i>Storm Bay</i> and the ACV <i>Corio Bay</i> intercepted an illegal maritime arrival carrying 110 passengers. Is that correct?</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> So a third vessel was not called or used to get those passengers back to Darwin?</p> <p><b>Rear Adm. Johnston:</b> I do not have the precise details. I think in that circumstance a third vessel may have come down in the proximity to be able to provide additional support if it was required, but my recollection is that that was not required by the two masters on that occasion.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Could you take on notice whether there was a third vessel involved and describe to us the circumstances in which it intervened? I assume it did not arrive at the scene at the point where the boat was taking on water but came later.</p>	L&C 17-18 12/02/2013

					<p><b>Rear Adm. Johnston:</b> Later, yes.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> If you could give us the details please.</p>	
4.	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	<p>Maritime Incident 23 January 2013</p>	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> In January, the minister made a statement to the press about an incident: ACV <i>Ocean Protector</i>, operating under the control of Border Protection Command, has worked with Oil and Gas Installation (OGI) support vessel <i>Offshore Quest</i>, approximately 92 nautical miles east-south-east of Ashmore Islands, to transfer eleven suspected asylum seekers into Australian Government custody. Yesterday the <i>Offshore Quest</i> contacted the Australian Maritime Safety Authority's Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC Australia) to report that passengers from a small Indonesian fishing vessel had boarded the vessel.</p> <p>That is, the <i>Offshore Quest</i>. Can you tell us what happened in that incident exactly?</p> <p><b>Rear Adm. Johnston:</b> Yes, I can. If I step through the time line of events, that will give you an indication of that particular incident. The advice I have is that, at about 5.15 pm on 23 January, the <i>Offshore Quest</i> was approached and boarded by a small Indonesian fishing vessel with about 11 people on board. At that time the <i>Offshore Quest</i> was about three nautical miles away from an offshore oil and gas installation. To give you a sense of the geography, it was around 90 miles east of the Ashmore Island group. At 5.32 on that day the Rescue Coordination Centre advised my command of the incident, and we had advice from the <i>Offshore Quest</i> that was relayed to us that the people who had boarded were calm, they displayed no intent to harm the crew at all, but due to language problems it was not clear to the crew on board the <i>Offshore Quest</i> what assistance the people who had embarked required. Border Protection Command, working both with the shipping company and the vessel itself, made arrangements for one of our vessels to rendezvous with the <i>Offshore Quest</i>, which we did that night, at 11.45. We then boarded the <i>Offshore Quest</i> and tried to determine what the circumstances of the people were. We understood that they wished to come to Australia, and they were then transferred from the <i>Offshore Quest</i> onto the <i>Ocean Protector</i> for that transportation. We were subsequently able, through some questioning, to better understand what the circumstances of the 11 people were. In essence, they had a lack of food, water and fuel and they were seeking assistance. That was provided to them in terms of the embarkation onto the <i>Ocean Protector</i>.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> The minister's media release uses the language that passengers from a small vessel had boarded the Australian vessel, the <i>Offshore Quest</i>.</p>	<p>L&amp;C 18-19 12/02/2013</p>

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5.	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	Voluntary redundancies	<b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> It would be useful if you could give me some figures on how many voluntary redundancies have been offered and in what areas of the service, please. <b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Sure. I will just check whether Mr Groves has that to hand; otherwise, I might have to see if there is some other way that we can assist. <b>Mr Groves:</b> No, I do not have that at hand. <b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Could you take that on notice, please. <b>Mr Groves:</b> Yes.	L&C 20 12/02/2013
6.	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	Officers deployed to international airports	<b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Could I ask you, perhaps on notice, to tell me how many Customs staff are currently deployed at each of Australia's international airports. <b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> We will come back to you.	L&C 21 12/02/2013
7.	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	Equipment provided to Sri Lanka	<b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Great. Could I just ask about a statement that the foreign minister made, when he was visiting Colombo, about measures to tackle people smuggling that were to be taken in concert with the Sri Lankan government. He made reference to a four-point plan, and a number of things were discussed in that: intelligence sharing, on-water disruption, advertising to the local population and reducing demand. To the extent that Customs is involved in those things, can you give us an indication of how much of that four-point plan has been implemented so far? ... <b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> In that regard the statement the minister made referred to additional surveillance and electronic equipment to help Sri Lanka's capacity to target smuggling operations and also to direct supply, presumably by Australia, of search and rescue equipment. What is the value of that equipment, approximately, and has it been supplied yet? <b>Ms Dorrington:</b> It is my understanding that it has not been supplied yet. As to the potential value of that, I would have to take that on notice and get back to you.	L&C 21-22 12/02/2013
8.	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	Handgun seizures	<b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> I want to ask about gun crime. How many handguns have been seized by Customs in each of the last five financial years, starting with 2007-08? ... <b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Fully assembled, disassembled— <b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> I do not care. <b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> We will start with handguns fully assembled and then go from there. ...	L&C 22-23 12/02/2013

					<p><b>Ms Dorrington:</b> I have statistics for 2008-09 onwards. If I could just clarify the point about these statistics: these are undeclared detections of conventional firearms, parts and accessories, and magazines. So they are not necessarily the same as seizures because undeclared detections are detections of items that are prohibited or restricted but not declared. They are not necessarily seized because they might eventually be released after the importer meets some import requirement.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> How many have you initially seized and how many have been handed back?</p> <p><b>Ms Dorrington:</b> Starting with whole firearms, in 2008-09 it was 72. In 2009-10 it was 121. In 2010-11 it was 97. In 2011-12 it was 76. In 2012-13, to date, it is 35.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Just to emphasise the point, if I may, we will have to come back to you if you want any more precision about handguns. These are whole firearms. Some of them might be shotguns, long-barrelled rifles and the like or they could be handguns. The second point is that it is not necessarily an illegal import at that point. As Ms Dorrington said, with undeclared detections where the paperwork has not been filled in and people have not made the appropriate declaration, after further investigation—</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> I understand that.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> they might be released.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Do you have the figures for how many of those weapons that you just referred to were handed back?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> As in released to the authorised person?</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Yes, that is right—seized but then not retained by Customs.</p> <p><b>Ms Dorrington:</b> I do not have those figures before me, so we will have to provide that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Can you give me the figures for handguns specifically out of those totals and then for whole firearms and the other categories—disassembled or whatever. Give me each of the categories. Also give me how many in each of those categories were subsequently handed back to the importer. Also, please give me the figures for 2007-08. That would be useful.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> We will take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Just going back to the question on the seizure of handguns, of those figures that you are going to supply me, Ms Dorrington, could you tell me, please, how many illegal handguns seized by Customs contained no serial number or identification number? What proportion of illegal imports does that particular subset represent?</p> <p><b>Ms Dorrington:</b> Okay.</p>	
9.	MHAJ	Customs	Ronaldson	Disciplinary	<b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Mr Pezzullo, I want to take you back to our discussion	L&C 25

				action against Customs officers	<p>before about these officers who were involved in the Christmas party who have not been stood down. Is the union involved in discussions about the nature and extent of disciplinary action?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Senator, I did not say that they had not been stood down. What I have said is that all actions with a disciplinary consequence are being synchronised and coordinated with the Federal Police and ACLEI. In some cases officers are the subject of ongoing code of conduct proceedings. In other cases—</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Have they been stood down?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> No.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Okay, thank you. Now can I get back to my question—</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I'm sorry, Senator, there were lots of people at the party. Have all the officers who attended the party? No. Have some of them been dismissed, terminated or dealt with for other matters—</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Has anyone who was at the party, particularly those who had invited the crime figure, been stood down?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I will have to take that on notice.</p>	12/02/2013
10.	MHAJ	Customs	Ronaldson	Disciplinary action against Customs officers	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Is the union making demands about what you can or cannot do in relation to these officers who are under investigation?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I am not aware of any demands that they have made.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> They have not, for example, told you that no-one can be stood down until the process is finished?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Not to my knowledge, but in any event it is not a position that I would—</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Is anyone else in the room able to answer that question for me, if you cannot?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Whether or not the union has stated that in correspondence—they are corresponding with us all the time—it is not a position that I would adopt.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> I am asking you a quite simple question: Has the union demanded that no-one be stood down until this process is finished—yes or no?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I am not aware of any such—</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> You will take it on notice?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Yes, I will check.</p>	L&C 25 12/02/2013
11.	MHAJ	Customs	Ronaldson	Internal leaks	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> I am asking you whether there were leaked internal e-mails or internal e-mails that you have seen in relation to matters such as 'warnings that customs lacked the power, resources and ability to detect corruption and that its anti-corruption framework was "outdated and requires revision"' and "better anti-corruption intelligence gathering, drug and alcohol testing and "the mandatory reporting of</p>	L&C 26, 27, 29 12/02/2013

				<p>fraud". Have you had a look, since you came in, at what was said by the organisation prior to your getting there?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Yes, and I have reviewed internally documents that appear to be similar to or perhaps even identical to the ones that the journalists in question have got. I do not want to comment on the veracity of those particular documents—they might be drafts; they might be amended or adjusted documents.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> But you have personally seen information that is similar to the matters raised—</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Correspondence of that kind, dating from the latter part of 2007.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> I assume that these were from senior people within the organisation.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> ... Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Thank you. I assume that Customs passed these concerns on to the relevant ministers at the time. I think it was Minister Debus from the 2007 election until June 2009, Minister O'Connor from June 2009 to December 2011, and then Minister Clare since then. So I am assuming that these issues were raised with various ministers.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I will answer your question directly from my personal knowledge, Senator. For the two years from mid- to late-2007 to mid-2009, I do not know the answer to your question. I can take that on notice. And if correspondence has gone forward to ministers I will look to what I can further advise you through the notice process.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Are you suggesting to me that between December 2007 and July 2009—is that what you are talking about?—</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> July 2009.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> there was no correspondence or reports of meetings between Customs and these respective ministers in relation to the concerns that were raised in these emails, which you acknowledge are true and correct?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> The answer is: I do not know.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Will you take that on notice, please.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> As I indicated I earlier, I will see what I can make available through the notice process.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> And will you provide me with details of any memos between Customs and those ministers and advise me when that information was given to the ministers and whether it was done verbally or in writing. Are you able to say whether—</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Yes, Senator, I will take that on notice.</p>	
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12.	MHAJ	Customs	Ronaldson	Customs Internal Affairs Unit	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> I presume that resourcing would have included financial resourcing—additional funds to address this issue.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> There were internal funds made available. So, as I said in my statement, the Internal Affairs unit that had been in existence for some 30 years, going back to 1979, by the late 2000s, around 2007, it was a unit of about five. This is only anecdotal evidence—I can get more precision: it has never been more than about five. Mr Carmody made a decision to invest quite significantly additional resources. The branch that I referred to in my opening statement has something like more than 40 officers, and I am intending to deploy more officers.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Was there a request for additional funds?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I will have to check whether it was the subject of an external request or a new policy proposal, or whether we just simply made a decision upfront that, because of fiscal requirements, we would have to find the resources anyway. I suspect that we took a decision to absorb the costs upfront and to make the decision to transfer the resources internally, and to grow those resources, I should say.</p>	L&C 28 21/02/2013
13.	MHAJ	Customs	Ronaldson	Cuts to on-the-ground Customs officers	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> We have got an acknowledgment from you that Customs has known for some time about the threat to border security through corruption. We have acknowledgement that internal emails alerting to resourcing and other issues were being sent from 2007 on, yet in 2009-10, 220 staff were cut; in 2010-11, a further 250 staff were cut; and, in 2011-12, not only were 90 staff lost but the budget cut was \$38.2 million. In 2012-13, there was a further cut in budget of \$25.9 million and a further 190 staff lost. I hope you are not seriously suggesting that these anticorruption measures, or appropriate anticorruption measures, could be appropriately done internally when there has been some \$64 million slashed from your budget and a staff reduction of some 750 people.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> The fact of the matter is we have resourced the function. It has grown. Those additional responsibilities were put into that branch, as I have described, and, most critically, there are resources outside our agency—namely, within ACLEI, which has the powers of a standing royal commission—which have been decisive in getting beyond the theoretical appreciation of risk and getting to the heart of some of these groups and the way they are operating.</p>	L&C 28 12/02/2013

					<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> So have these staff cuts included reductions in management staff?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Have they included reductions of your on-the-ground Customs officers?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> In terms of supervisors and managers? I will have to take some advice on that. I suspect not but I will come back to you on that. With the roll-out of technology such as SmartGate, the number of what we call our basic ranking officer, the Customs level 1 officer, there has probably been if not a plateauing maybe even shrinkage of officers at that level. Automation means that that is what happens. I will have to take on notice the exact profile of what we call the balance between our CL1s, Customs level 1 officers and 2s, 3s and 4s, which are the basic middle-management and supervisory ranks.</p>	
14.	MHAJ	Customs	Ronaldson	When was legislation introduced	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Thank you. And when the legislation went through last year, that did include drug and alcohol testing, didn't it?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> And what other matters?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Four principal measures. First is the power for the CEO to institute, subject to regulations which have now been passed, a drug and alcohol testing regime. Second is a power for the CEO to declare that an officer's conduct has been such that it meets the test in the legislation of 'serious misconduct' and they are terminated accordingly. Three is the allowance for the introduction of what is known as integrity testing of Customs and Border Protection officers—it also did so for a number of other agencies, but they can speak for themselves. Fourth, it also created a statutory requirement for what is known as the 'mandatory reporting' of serious misconduct.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Indeed, that was in these memos, going back to 2007: mandatory reporting, drug and alcohol testing. When was the legislation introduced?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I will have to take that on notice. It was some time in the middle of last year.</p>	L&C 29 12/02/2013
15.	MHAJ	Customs	Ronaldson	Advice to Minister O'Connor	<p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> So Customs has been requesting the sort of action that we finally saw in December 2012 for at least three or four years. Are you able to say why this was not done earlier?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> No, Senator, because it is intrinsically tied up with the point I have taken on notice, which is what is, at least in broad terms, the nature of the advice that has been provided to ministers over the time—</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> Minister, do you know why this was not done earlier, given that this has been an issue within Customs for some time—indeed, these</p>	L&C 29 12/02/2013

					<p>recommendations for mandatory reporting and drug and alcohol testing have been put forward on numerous occasions before. Are you able to say why it took until December of last year for the legislation to be introduced?</p> <p><b>Senator Ludwig:</b> What I can do is seek advice from the relevant minister and ask them whether they can add anything to the answer.</p> <p><b>Senator RONALDSON:</b> When was Minister O'Connor first advised of these police and other investigations?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I don't know. I will have to take that on notice. By the time I was appointed the interim CEO, Mr Clare, was in the chair.</p>	
16.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Cape Class – fleet maintenance	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> So the maintenance of all of the [Cape Class] vessels, over seven years, you expect to cost the government about \$42 million?</p> <p><b>Mr Perry:</b> No, \$8 million per year for the—</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> \$8 million per year? I am sorry.</p> <p><b>Mr Perry:</b> I would prefer to get back to you with a confirmed figure on that, but that is the ballpark figure.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Please take that on notice to confirm the figures, but your evidence is that there is a component in the \$350 million towards maintenance which is approximately \$36 million?</p> <p><b>Mr Perry:</b> Correct.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> On top of that, the fleet will cost about \$8 million a year over the next seven years? So it is about \$90 million all told for the maintenance over seven years.</p> <p><b>Mr Perry:</b> Over that seven-year period, correct.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> And that is it? There are no other components?</p> <p><b>Mr Perry:</b> No, that is just the maintenance costs. But, as I said, I will take that on notice.</p>	L&C 35 12/02/2013
17.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Number of BPC officers on French ship/s on 12 Feb 2013	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> At the moment—today—how many patrols are being conducted by the French in collaboration with us?</p> <p><b>Rear Adm. Johnston:</b> There have been a number. I could talk about the patrols over 2012. I would probably prefer to avoid the patrol program in the current year. In 2012—</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> ... are there any today? Are there any French vessels conducting patrols in collaboration with the Australian authorities today?</p> <p><b>Rear Adm. Johnston:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> How many?</p> <p><b>Rear Adm. Johnston:</b> One.</p>	L&C 39 12/02/2013

					<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> How many of your officers are on that vessel?</p> <p><b>Rear Adm. Johnston:</b> I am not certain. It would be in that range. I could take that on notice.</p>	
18.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Illicit tobacco	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> ... Has there been a noticeable increase in attempts to smuggle tobacco into Australia or to bring tobacco into Australia unlawfully since with the reduction in the allowance on 1 September?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> And is there a nexus between those two matters? I think the answer to that question is no.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Sorry, you have posed to yourself a question other than the question that I asked you.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I am just trying to understand the question.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Just focus on my question and I will draw my own conclusions. Has there been, since 1 September, a noticeable increase in the amount of tobacco illegally introduced into Australia?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Did the question say 'as a result of' or—</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> No.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Okay, all right. Sorry, my apologies; I thought that it did. There is no evident trend in the data either way. I would probably prefer to take that on notice.</p>	L&C 41 12/02/2013
19.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Illicit tobacco	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Mr Pezzullo, what is the most recent date to which the data of the illegal importation of tobacco has been collected?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I have got year-to-date figures that go to 12 December—so just over a month ago.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Because time is running out, can you respond to that question by placing on notice those figures to which you were referring. Do they indicate that in the last four months of 2012 there was an increase on the comparable figures for the previous year?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Regarding the comparable period in 2011, the data does go back that far. I think that we will just place the data on notice. Just looking at it by eye, I would say that—if anything—the latter part of 2012, with the exception of one month, seemed to actually on the whole represent a decline in detections, tonnage, sticks and duty evaded. But we will get the month-on-month data.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Can you give us the figures for both September to December 2011 and September to December 2012?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> So the corresponding four months in both years?</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> That is right.</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> We have got it.</p>	L&C 41 12/02/2013

20.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Illicit tobacco	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> ... Has there been any increase in cigars smuggled or brought illicitly into Australia since the reduction began on 1 September 2012?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> That one I will definitely have to take on notice. The data that I had before me was the tonnage of loose leaf and the millions of sticks metric.</p>	L&C 42 12/02/2013
21.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Illicit tobacco	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Has Customs seized any illegal shipments of cigars in the past six months and, if so, how many?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> I am just not sure that we get whole shipments of cigars. We will check, but the answer—being the recollection of the relevant competent officers—is that we cannot recall shipments of cigars.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Can I rephrase the question and ask for quantities?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Sure.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> You will take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> Yes.</p>	L&C 42 12/02/2013
22.	AG	Program 1.1 ILHRD	Fifield	Resignation from Working Group	<p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> The two-wheelchair policy does sound like something from the 1970s. I might just ask the minister at the table if the government has a response to the decision that Mr Innes has taken to resign from the working group.</p> <p><b>Senator Ludwig:</b> I have only just read the letter today. I will certainly seek advice from the Attorney-General as to what information he may be able to provide. In fact, it has gone to Minister Anthony Albanese. I do not represent him in these sittings, but I am sure I can seek a response from him as well.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator FIFIELD:</b> Sure, and I will certainly ask the commissioner about that later today. Minister, I thank you for taking on notice and noting that you will seek to provide a response to Mr Innes's resignation from the Accessible Airlines Working Group. I think you probably agree that it is quite a significant and dramatic thing for the nation's Disability Discrimination Commissioner to resign from a government advisory body out of—I don't want to put words in Mr Innes' mouth—frustration at progress on a number of issues.</p>	L&C 43-44 12/02/2013
23.	AG	AHRC	Hanson-Young	Response from Govt to Christmas Island report	<p><b>Senator HANSON-YOUNG:</b> Your report issued on 13 December goes through a number of recommendations—13 I believe—specifically in relation to Christmas Island. Have you had any response from the government in relation to those specific recommendations?</p> <p><b>Prof. Triggs:</b> I do not believe we have. I wonder if I could just take that on notice to check to make sure, but I do not believe we have had any responses.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Prof. Triggs:</b> Thank you very much. Perhaps I should say that I may have incorrectly</p>	L&C 50, 51, 53 12/02/2013

					answered one of your questions with regard to whether we have received a response from Minister Bowen with regard to Christmas Island. I think we might have done. For the moment, I am grasping to think of whether we actually did. It may have been in letter form and I have momentarily forgotten it. So I may want to correct the record if I have in fact answered your question incorrectly.	
24.	AG	AHRC	Siewert	BSWAT test	<p><b>Senator SIEWERT:</b> I will obviously raise with the department in estimates on Thursday the position around the appeal, but have you had complaints about the use of this particular tool?</p> <p><b>Mr Innes:</b> With the matters that were determined by the Federal Court, that case followed from complaints lodged under the Disability Discrimination Act. Do you mean have we had further complaints?</p> <p><b>Senator SIEWERT:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Mr Innes:</b> I would need to take that on notice, but this is an issue that is regularly discussed in the disability sector with people with whom I talk, and it has certainly been one where the sector has been watching the complaints which were lodged. It is similar to when one complaint is sort of blazing a particular new trial or path, and people wait to see the result of that complaint before pursuing the issue themselves. The fact that there may not have been many or any other complaints does not necessarily mean that there are not significant concerns in the sector about this issue, and probably more broadly, about the level of wages earned by some people in ADEs.</p>	L&C 53 12/02/2013
25.	AG	AHRC	Siewert	Disability support pensions	<p><b>Senator SIEWERT:</b> I have another question around the new process for disability support pensions and the 18-month waiting period for access. It is not called that, but it is the period of time when people have to prove that they have tried to find work and cannot and then they can be assessed for the disability support pension. Are you aware of the change that came in last year?</p> <p><b>Mr Innes:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator SIEWERT:</b> We have talked about it before. Have you heard any complaints about this particular piece of legislation?</p> <p><b>Mr Innes:</b> Again, whether actual complaints have been lodged I would need to take notice. ...</p>	L&C 54 12/02/2013
26.	AG	Program 1.1 AJD	Brandis	Courts & Tribunals bill	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> On what date, Mr Wilkins, did this legislation go to cabinet?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I am not sure is the answer to that.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Does anyone at the table know? You seem to be the person with first instance responsibility for this, Ms Glanville. Do you know when—</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I am not sure that bills necessarily go to cabinet. The Skehill report went on various occasions to the cabinet.</p>	L&C 65 12/02/2013

					<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> I am talking about the legislation which is the subject of the unresolved dispute with the heads of jurisdiction described in this letter. I would like to know when the government made the decision to proceed with this legislation, well knowing that the heads of the two jurisdictions affected by it were unhappy with it.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Was it this year or last year?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I will have to take it on notice because it is also tied up with what processes the bill actually went through in relation to the cabinet itself.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Given that the former Attorney-General, Ms Roxon, announced her resignation from that office—was it last Friday week?—may we take it that the decision to introduce this bill into the parliament in the face of the objections of the heads of jurisdiction affected by it was a decision of the former Attorney-General, not Mr Dreyfus, the current Attorney-General?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> We will have to take it on notice. I do not know the answer to your question. We do not have that date here.</p>	
27.	AG	FCA/FMC	Brandis	Percentage of litigants who have fees waived	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> What percentage of litigants in respectively the Family Court and the Federal Magistrates Court dealing with family law matters are the beneficiaries of fee waivers? Mr Foster, do you know?</p> <p><b>Mr Foster:</b> I think it is a bit early to determine that. The fees have only been in since 1 January. And I am not sure we are actually recording that.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Have you budgeted for it?</p> <p><b>Mr Foster:</b> We are on track to collect the fees we have budgeted for.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> You must have made an estimate as to what percentage of the filings would be waived. What percentage would it be?</p> <p><b>Mr Foster:</b> I cannot answer that off the top of my head. Can I take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Is it less than five per cent?</p> <p><b>Mr Foster:</b> I do not know the answer.</p> <p><b>Senator Ludwig:</b> He has asked to take it on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Would you take it on notice, then, if you do not know.</p>	L&C 72 12/02/2013
28.	AG	Program 1.1 CLD	Rhiannon	Hawke review	<p><b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> Okay, thank you very much. On the Hawke review, I understand that not a single media release was issued by the AG's and there were no speeches, events or issues paper on the Hawke review. Is that the case?</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> It does seem quite an unfortunate state of affairs, after what we have just been exploring on the international stage, how little public exposure this has been given.</p> <p><b>Mr Fredericks:</b> Senator, I have just been informed that there was in fact a media release by the Attorney-General at the time. I do not have the date of that media</p>	L&C 88-89 12/02/2013

					<p>release.</p> <p><b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> So, apart from that one media release—and if you need to take this on notice, I understand—could you outline how this review has been promoted?</p> <p><b>Mr Fredericks:</b> Yes, I will take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> Thank you. Will the Attorney-General consider widely advertising a further call for public submissions on any draft bill amending the FOI legislation that could arise as a result of the review?</p> <p><b>Mr Fredericks:</b> In fairness, that would ultimately be a decision for the Attorney at the time. I would need to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> Would the department consider making a recommendation along those lines, to maximise public awareness and involvement?</p> <p><b>Senator Ludwig:</b> They will take it on notice and check with the Attorney-General.</p> <p><b>Senator RHIANNON:</b> Can you outline a timeline on what month we could see draft legislation?</p>	
29.	MHAJ	CrimTrac	Humphries	Outcome of Code of Conduct investigations	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> ... So there were nine investigations into APS Code of Conduct breaches from July 2010 to May 2012. Could you take on notice providing us with the detail of the outcome of the seven investigations which have now been finalised. Are there any more that have been finalised since that answer was provided?</p> <p><b>Mr Smith:</b> All the investigations referred to at that time are completed.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Great. If we could have whatever detail you are able to provide about that, please. In particular, I would like to know whether the matters were accepted or whether they were rejected and things of that kind.</p> <p><b>Mr Smith:</b> As you would appreciate, Senator, there are some rules around disclosure that I will need to get clarity on, but I will take that on notice.</p>	L&C 90 12/02/2013
30.	MHAJ	AGD Corporate	Humphries	AGD auspiced inquiry	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Again, two estimates hearings ago there was some discussion about, in particular, the investigation that was going on into you, Mr Smith. You will recall that Mr Wilkins made a comment that the department was auspicing some sort of investigation into complaints related to you. I do not know whether, Ms Kelly, you should answer this question or not. Has that particular departmentally auspiced investigation been completed?</p> <p><b>Mr Smith:</b> There was not an investigation into my conduct. There had been some matters raised and it is probably best if the department answers further on that.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> I am looking at Mr Wilkins's language. He said, 'It is an inquiry that we have auspiced.' So investigation, inquiry, whatever it is.</p> <p><b>Mr Smith:</b> Just the connotation around 'investigation' would sort of suggest that there</p>	L&C 90 12/02/2013



					<p>had been a code of conduct matter commenced against me, and that was not the case.  <b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> I understand that. Ms Kelly, can you detail what exactly the nature of that, as Mr Wilkins put it, inquiry, actually was or is?  <b>Ms Kelly:</b> I understand that the matter has concluded. But could I take that on notice and provide you with the details that we are able to provide you with on notice?</p>	
31.	MHAJ	AGD Corporate	Humphries	Number of complainants that generated the inquiry	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> You are taking on notice, Ms Kelly, what the details are of the finalised inquiry or investigation. Could I ask you to include in your answer whether what generated that inquiry was a single complaint or multiple complaints and, if multiple, can I please know the number of complainants that were formally part of the process which led to that inquiry.  <b>Ms E Kelly:</b> We will take that on notice.</p>	L&C 91 12/02/2013
32.	MHAJ	CrimTrac	Humphries	New policies	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> So there have been new policies or procedures put in place in CrimTrac [to manage matters of bullying and harassment].  <b>Mr Smith:</b> Definitely, yes: quite extensive policies covering a whole range of matters that I felt needed to be attended to.  <b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Could you, on notice, provide us with details of those policies.  <b>Mr Smith:</b> Definitely.</p>	L&C 91 12/02/2013
33.	MHAJ	CrimTrac	Humphries	Placement of employees with other Agencies	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Is it the case that CrimTrac employees who have been receiving Comcare payments, or have been dealing with Comcare for claims made against CrimTrac, have been working in other agencies outside CrimTrac while receiving Comcare payments or having their claims dealt with by Comcare in respect of what happened to them while they were employees of CrimTrac?  <b>Mr Smith:</b> The nature of the relationship between myself as the employer of people, and matters that are dealt with by Comcare, are very much subject to confidentiality. What I can say is that all appropriate steps were taken to ensure that the right things were done to look after the corporate health of the agency and the health of every individual that I was concerned about with respect to the matters that you raise. It is difficult to give—  <b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Can you not answer the question, though, as to whether people have been moved offshore from CrimTrac while they have had Comcare claims dealt with?  <b>Mr Smith:</b> I will get Ms Mayo to answer that because she is more sensitive to the legal situation.  <b>Ms Mayo:</b> The situation is that I can confirm that some of the employees with current</p>	L&C 91 12/02/2013

					<p>Comcare claims, as part of their return to work program in managing those claims, have been placed with other agencies.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> How many are we talking about, over the last 12 months?</p> <p><b>Ms Mayo:</b> I do not have the specifics to confirm the actual numbers but I believe it would be around two.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Could you take that on notice please, to give me an exact number.</p> <p><b>Ms Mayo:</b> Certainly.</p>	
34.	MHAJ	CrimTrac	Humphries	Appointment dates – Mr Murray Rankin	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Was Mr Murray Rankin on the portfolio board?</p> <p><b>Mr Smith:</b> He was the chair of the portfolio board when I first arrived at CrimTrac.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> He is not in that position any longer?</p> <p><b>Mr Smith:</b> No.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> What were the dates of his appointment and departure from that position on the portfolio board.</p> <p><b>Mr Smith:</b> I would have to take his appointment date on notice; I do not think I have that with me. But his responsibilities at the portfolio board ceased formally in October 2012, I think. I would like to be accurate with the date, because it obviously is of importance. Perhaps I could take that on notice.</p>	L&C 92 12/02/2013
35.	MHAJ	CrimTrac	Humphries	Connexion work order 2011/0001	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> I understand that there was a work order, numbered 2011/0001, and that this work order, which I gather was issued by or in connection with Connexion Business Solutions. This work order was an order for the review and development of project and program management at an original cost of \$82,778.85. Are you aware of that particular work order?</p> <p><b>Ms Mayo:</b> Yes, we are, Senator. That was the subject of a question on notice No. 1937, the response to which, I understand, was tabled last week.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> I understand this work order was varied to increase the contract value to \$125,472. Rather than detain us now, would you please give us detailed information on notice about how and why that work order was varied?</p> <p><b>Ms Mayo:</b> Certainly.</p>	L&C 93 12/02/2013
36.	AG	Program 1.3 SID	Brandis	List of Tabled Grants	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> If that construction is correct, can I ask you to take up the former Attorney-General's letter of 31 January 2013 to the President of the Senate, pursuant to the orders of the Senate agreed to on 24 June 2008, containing particulars of all grants within the Attorney-General Portfolio for the period of 25 September 2012 to 21 January 2013 and turn to page 2 of attachment A.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> That is good. Go to the second page. You will see that,</p>	L&C 95-96 12/02/2013

					<p>beginning from the very first item on the second page under the heading 'Program title', there are six items entitled 'Financial assistance towards legal costs and related expenses'. That is, may I take it, the program to which you have referred me, which includes the Native Title Respondent Funding Scheme?</p> <p><b>Mr Fredericks:</b> Yes. I will refer to Mr Duggan.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Is that right?</p> <p><b>Mr Duggan:</b> They would include some of those payments.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> That is what I said, yes. Of the six items, in each case 'name omitted for privacy reasons', which include relatively modest sums ranging from \$1,318.18 to the largest item, which is \$11,300, how much of those items was payments to respondents for the purpose of the Native Title Respondent Funding Scheme?</p> <p><b>Mr Duggan:</b> I need to take that question on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Do you know?</p> <p><b>Mr Duggan:</b> I do not know. I need to take it on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> What does your department do, Mr Duggan? Does it disaggregate these figures?</p> <p><b>Mr Duggan:</b> We would know internally for what purposes these amounts have been paid over. As you can appreciate, part of the concerns we have is that this information can sometimes be used to identify the recipients of those grants, and there has been a longstanding convention that we do not identify the recipients, of course.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> You would agree with me, wouldn't you, I am sure, Mr Duggan, that, given the relative modesty of the amounts here, from \$1,700 to \$11,300, each of the six items would appear to relate to a particular matter rather than the aggregation of several matters within each total?</p> <p><b>Mr Duggan:</b> That would be asking for a guess on my part. We have to take this on notice. I cannot answer that question without reference.</p>	
37.	AG	Program 1.1 CLD	Xenophon	Possible s.78(b) notice	<p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> My questions relate to a matter before the Victorian Court of Appeal involving an attempt to force two journalists from the Age newspaper, Nick McKenzie and Richard Baker, to reveal their sources in a matter involving the prosecution of a number of former executives from two Reserve Bank of Australia subsidiaries in relation to Securrency and Note Printing Australia. That sets the scene. My understanding is that the lawyers for Mr McKenzie and Mr Baker have given notice to the Commonwealth and the states to intervene in that case. My understanding is that the argument made by Mr McKenzie and Mr Baker is that the Victorian magistrate in that case has no power under Commonwealth law to dismiss the charges against the accused on the basis that the Commonwealth prosecution authorities have acted improperly by allegedly leaking to the media. My question is:</p>	L&C 97-98 12/02/2013

					<p>given the public interest issues in relation to this matter—and Senator Ludwig, the minister, took over the carriage of that particular shield law bill when it went through the Senate—is the Commonwealth going to intervene in that appeal before the Victorian Court of Appeal.</p> <p><b>Ms Kelly:</b> I suspect that that is a matter that has been the subject of a 78(b) notice. The department receives a very large number of those notices. That one is not one that I am familiar with. I can attempt to determine from the officers present whether or not it is, but I suspect that it would be more efficient to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> It is before the court. The appeal is likely to be heard on 8 March, as I understand it, so it is coming up fairly soon.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> We will have to take it on notice. There is no-one here who can answer that.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Can we take it on notice, Senator? I have not got the details in front of me. I am vaguely aware of this matter, but I have not got any of the details in front of me. It is a very complicated matter. We are going to be here for the rest of the night sorting this out, but it will take me some time to get the details.</p> <p><b>Senator XENOPHON:</b> Can you indicate to me when a response might be likely, given that the matter is due in the Victorian Court of Appeal on 8 March.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> No, I cannot even do that. My advice is that we will have to take that on notice. There are multiple parties involved on the part of the Commonwealth. It is a very complicated matter. I cannot answer your questions now, Senator. I am sorry. I am unable to answer your questions.</p>	
38.	AG	Program 1.3 ILHRD	Wright	OPCAT	<p><b>Senator WRIGHT:</b> Has the department received any legal advice on the constitutionality of introducing uniform legislation at a federal level to implement OPCAT, leaving aside practical considerations?</p> <p><b>Mr Manning:</b> We have got legal advice on an aspect of it but I am not across the detail as it was a while ago in the early days of its consideration. I could take on notice the date and the subject matter of that, Senator.</p>	L&C 100 12/02/2013
39.	AG	Program 1.5 SID	Wright	Justice reinvestment	<p><b>Senator WRIGHT:</b> I think you have answered the questions that I had, so thank you very much.</p> <p>I now turn to some questions in relation to justice reinvestment. I have asked questions at previous estimates about the government's response to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs report Doing time—time for doing, which states that it accepts in principle the committee's recommendations that 'the Commonwealth government develop a national partnership agreement dedicated to the Safe Communities Building Block' but that it would only</p>	L&C 100 12/02/2013

					<p>consider developing such an agreement after a national Indigenous safe communities strategy has been put in place. Can you please provide an update on the progress that has been made to negotiate the national Indigenous safe communities strategy with the state and territory governments?</p> <p><b>Mr Walter:</b> The strategy is currently being considered by the Working Group on Indigenous Reform, which is chaired by Minister Macklin. There was consideration at the September meeting. I think 24 September was the last time the strategy was considered. Further work is taking place as we speak, mainly in the form of an audit of activities going on in the Indigenous safety space and it will be considered again at the next meeting. I do not have the date in front of me but I think it is in March.</p> <p><b>Senator WRIGHT:</b> If you are not sure of the date, could you take it on notice and confirm that for me?</p> <p><b>Mr Walter:</b> Absolutely.</p>	
40.	AG	Program 1.6 NSLPD	Brandis	Office of the Independent Reviewer	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> I have some questions about the independent review process announced by the government on 16 October to review ASIO adverse security assessments to which Margaret Stone, a former Federal Court judge has been appointed.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Could you tell me how many adverse security assessments have been reviewed by the reviewer so far?</p> <p><b>Mr Sheehan:</b> I have not spoken with Margaret Stone in around 3½ weeks. When I spoke to her she had not yet concluded any review. There was a lot of preparatory work being done since she commenced on 3 December last year. She was looking through all material available to her, not just adverse cases but other cases as well, to be able to understand the context. It may be that some are concluded now, but I would have to take that on notice.</p>	L&C 103 12/02/2013
41.	AG	Program 1.3 AJD	Boyce	National plan to reduce violence against women and children	<p><b>Senator BOYCE:</b> My question will hopefully segway on from Senator Rhiannon's. What involvement does the Standing Council on Law and Justice have in the implementation of the national plan to reduce violence against women and children?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I think we will have to take that on notice. Attorney-General Roxon raised this with the Attorneys-General last time they met. My recollection is that there was general agreement to take this forward. I think all the attorneys were a bit concerned that the response that officers had come up with and put up to the attorneys was a bit anodyne.</p> <p><b>Senator BOYCE:</b> Could you explain what you mean by that.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> That it was not firm enough and did not have enough concrete action involved in it. So it was taken away and we are having another look at redoing the</p>	L&C 106 12/02/2013

					<p>collected government response of all the states and territories of the Commonwealth.</p> <p><b>Senator BOYCE:</b> Responding to the Attorney-General's request?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> No; responding to the report and bringing it back, presumably at the next Standing Council on Law and Justice. Are you talking about the Australian Law Reform Commission report?</p> <p><b>Senator BOYCE:</b> No; I am talking about the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children, which grew out of a working group.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Sorry; I am talking about the Australian Law Reform Commission and New South Wales Law Reform Commission joint report on domestic violence. So I may have taken you at cross-purposes. I am sorry about that.</p>	
42.	AG	Program 1.3 AJD	Boyce	ALRC Report recommendation categories	<p><b>Senator BOYCE:</b> I do not know whether you will be able to answer this. The Advocacy for Inclusion organisation, based here in Canberra, recently did an audit of women with disabilities that they advocate for. It found that, for 25 per cent of those living in group homes whom they advocate for, it is as a result of violence and that, for 30 per cent of all their clients who are women with disabilities, their cases involve sexual violence and exploitation. One of their great concerns is that the current definition of domestic violence in most states does not recognise the situation of people living in group homes. Has that been brought to the attention of the standing committee or any of the working groups?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I am not aware of it as an issue.</p> <p><b>Ms Rainsford:</b> The ALRC report that Mr Wilkins mentioned contained 186 recommendations. Some of those related only to state jurisdictions. Some were only Commonwealth, and then there was a group which required a collaborative response, and it is that latter group which is currently being dealt with on the Standing Council on Law and Justice agenda. The question of the definition used in state laws around the definition is in that category, which is—</p> <p><b>Senator BOYCE:</b> In the collaborative category?</p> <p><b>Ms Rainsford:</b> No, they would be in the category that is the responsibility of the states and, therefore, not being progressed under the group of recommendations currently being considered by the standing council.</p> <p><b>Senator BOYCE:</b> Is it possible, on notice, to get a copy of which recommendations fall into which category? Can that be done?</p> <p><b>Ms Rainsford:</b> Yes, we can take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator BOYCE:</b> Thank you.</p>	L&C 107 12/02/2013
43.	MHAJ	Program 1.6 CrJD	Abetz	Cwlth Firearms Advisory Council	<p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> My questions relate to a [Parliamentary] question that I placed on notice, which is No. 2544. It relates to the Commonwealth Firearms Advisory Council.</p>	L&C 109-114 12/02/2013

				<p>...</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> We do have some answers to your questions. It went to the minister's office and the minister had provided the answer to the question.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> So this was as drafted by the department?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Not entirely, no.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Did the minister's office make some adjustments to it?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Apparently, yes.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Thank you. That helps me immensely, because, if I might say, it is one of the most obfuscating answers that I have received in a considerable period of time. I asked whether the minister had any difficulty in receiving CFAC minutes. That was question (2). Can somebody tell me where in the answer that is discussed or even mentioned?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Which of your questions did you refer to?</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Question (2). I have put the questions as (1)(a) and (b), (2) and then (3)(a), (b) and (c). We got answers to 1(a) and (b) and then four lines to answer the next seven questions.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> The minister has cleared the answer. I think that it is something that you need to take up with the minister, not with me—with due respect.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Fair enough, Mr Wilkins. Senator Ludwig, you are in the hot seat. Can you please explain, because you are representing the minister, where in the answer that question is answered?</p> <p><b>Senator Ludwig:</b> Given that it is not my answer and I am representing the minister it would be much better if I took that on notice and asked Minister Clare to respond accordingly.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Then you might like to tell us where question 3 is answered. And, if I might say, this is the most concerning aspect and the most misleading aspect, because I specifically asked: up to 8 August 2012, when did the minister meet with CFAC? Answer: in relation to the remaining questions the minister and members of his staff met several times with members of CFAC. Can you please take on notice the following: up to 8 August 2012, what are the dates of the several times asserted that the minister met?</p> <p><b>Senator Ludwig:</b> I will certainly take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Can we also have confirmed that up until 8 August Minister Clare had not met either with a chair or with the CFAC as a whole.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I will take that on notice, too. As I understand it you have already asked that question above, in 1 to 8. The minister is going to take that up with Minister Clare.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Seeing that when I asked it once it was not answered I thought if I</p>	
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					<p>asked it twice I might actually get an answer.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I am not sure that I can take it on notice as the minister is actually taking it up.</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Ultimately the buck stops with the minister. It is the ministers answers that are ultimately tabled.</p> <p><b>Senator Ludwig:</b> I will certainly take it on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> The fact that they meet regularly is not in dispute. They in fact say that they do so, but it is a voluntary council. It has passed numerous resolutions largely, I am told, with the unanimous support of the government representatives and they are aimed at focusing Australian government enforcement activities on areas that will provide the greatest community safety benefits. It looks as though the government representatives or departmental representatives are in heated agreement—so nothing too controversial—yet completely ignored. There is nothing to suggest that the council's resolutions have been or will be incorporated into legislation or regulations. The council also expressed its disappointment that 'you have not met or engaged with any members of your council nor acknowledged receipt of any written communications from the chairman on behalf of the council.' Can we take that on notice?</p> <p><b>Mr Anderson:</b> Senator, if I can just say that it is perhaps putting it a bit too high to say 'heated agreement' from the government members. There have certainly been some proposals of the council that have not been—</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator ABETZ:</b> Just provide the answers that Minister Clare refused to give and we might be able to have some more discussion next time.</p>	
44.	AG (MEM)	Program 1.7 EMA	Humphries	Disaster Income Recovery Subsidy	<p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> How many DIRS payments have been sought and made?</p> <p><b>Mr Sheehan:</b> As at midnight 10 February there had been \$74,000 in DIRS payments made.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> \$74,000. How many recipients is that?</p> <p><b>Mr Sheehan:</b> I do not have that detail, Senator, but we could get you something very quickly in consultation with the Department of Human Services, who make the payment on our behalf.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> We are talking about a payment equivalent to Newstart—</p> <p><b>Mr Sheehan:</b> That is right.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> for up to 13 weeks.</p> <p><b>Mr Sheehan:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> That is probably fewer than 100 people, isn't it?</p> <p><b>Mr Sheehan:</b> I am not sure of the exact number, but I would assume that the</p>	L&C 116 12/02/2013



					payments are made on a regular basis. We will get the information from DHS.	
45.	AG (MEM)	Program 1.7 EMA	Furner	Areas that have applied for DIRS	<p><b>Senator FURNER:</b> To follow up on that line of questioning, or those statements, I should probably say: this flooding occurred only a few weeks ago, so there is possibly a bit of a backlog. I understand that the eligibility is up to 22 April for DIRS—is that correct?</p> <p><b>Mr Sheehan:</b> That is correct. It is a 13 week payment. It has actually been in operation now for nine days, and the figures that I have are up to the end of day 7.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Senator FURNER:</b> ....</p> <p>In delivering those figures of DIRS for that amount of money, could you also indicate the areas that have already applied for that? I would also like to follow up with some understanding of the AGDRP payments, as to how many recipients have accessed them and, once again, the areas, and if you do not have that at hand then could you take that on notice as well.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Mr Sheehan:</b> Thank you, Senator. In answer to your first question: the areas in which DIRS has been activated are Bundaberg, Gympie, Fraser Coast, North Burnett and Lockyer Valley. I do not think we have a breakdown by area as to how much of the payment is in each area, although I think we could get that from DHS and that could be provided. For AGDRP, I listed the nine areas in Queensland before for the record; in addition to those: Clarence Valley, Coonamble, Gilgandra and Warrumbungle, in New South Wales, for fire. And in Tasmania, Glamorgan, Spring Bay, Sorrell, Tasman and Ellendale District—and I mentioned before to Senator Humphries, that is an example of doing a district rather than doing the entire LGA.</p>	L&C 117-118 12/02/2013
46.	AG	Program 1.6 ICCD	Brandis	Mutual Assistance request with United States	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Let me give you two documents. These are documents that were obtained from the Attorney-General's Department under a Freedom of Information Act request and have been supplied to me by a political colleague. One is essentially a chronology consisting of two pages, dated Wednesday 24 October 2012, and another is a two-page document headed 'Backpocket Brief—Operation Mesco—Kevin Rudd YouTube Investigation'. Can I show you those documents, please?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Yet the Attorney-General's Department file, according to the chronology, was closed only 21 days later, on 24 October. The chronology also reveals that no step was taken or actioned between 3 October 2012 and the date on which the file was closed, notwithstanding that the case officer knew that the Australian Federal Police investigation was ongoing. Why was the file closed, Mr Wilkins?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I do not know. I will have to take it on notice.</p>	L&C 119, 121 12/02/2013

47.	AG	Program 1.6 ICCD	Brandis	Mutual Assistance request with United States	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Then listen to my questions carefully. We know that the American justice department told you that they did not have sufficient information to enable them to satisfy your department's request. My question to you is: did your department inquire of the American authorities what further information they required?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> You did?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Did you receive a response from the American authorities?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Yes, we did.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> And that was responsive to your request in that they told you what further information they required?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> In general terms.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> They did?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> In very general terms.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> On what date was that response received?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I am not sure.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Does anyone at the table know?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> No. We will have to take that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> We know from the note from which I have read that the Americans told you in a communication received on 3 October that they did not have enough information. You have now told us that you asked them what more they needed and that they responded, albeit, as you say, in very general terms. How long a lapse between those respective communications was there?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I do not know. I would have to take that on notice.</p>	L&C 122 12/02/2013
48.	AG	Program 1.6 ICCD	Brandis	Mutual Assistance request with United States	<p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> We know that two communications after 3 October you had been told, albeit in very general terms, what additional information the Americans required. What did you do to obtain that information so that the request that you had made of the US justice department could be complied we?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> You will understand that the AFP asked us to make this inquiry, so I assume that we would have passed this information on to the Australian Federal Police?</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Did you?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I assume that, but I will take it on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Did you receive a response from the AFP?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I do not know. I will take that on notice as well.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> You see, in the chronology that was produced by your</p>	L&C 123 12/02/2013

					<p>department in response to Mr Rudd's FOI request, there is endorsed an item 'follow-up from law enforcement/other government agency' on 24 October 2012. Could that be an intended reference to the response from the AFP?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> It could be, but it might not be. 'I do not know' is the correct answer to your question. I do not want to mislead.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> We now know from what you have told us that a request was made by your department of the justice department of America some time after 3 October in which you asked what further information they needed. We know that you received a response from them in what you have described as general terms. You think that you then communicated that matter to the AFP and you think that the AFP responded.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> Yes, but I said that I would like to take those on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> I want you to take all of these matters on notice so that you can give me more particular answers, but since we are here I want to elicit from you what you are able to tell me tonight. When you received the response from the AFP, what did you do with it?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> You have to understand that I did not receive any response from the AFP.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Your department.</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I do not know what my department did with it because the person who actually got it is not here.</p> <p><b>Senator BRANDIS:</b> Do any officers at the table have any better information about step was then taken after the AFP responded?</p> <p><b>Mr Wilkins:</b> I am not even sure in what form the AFP responded. We are not in a position to answer your question, Senator. That is the actual answer.</p>	
49.	AG	Program 1.1 AJD	Bishop	The Foreign Judgement's Act (1991)	<p>a) In relation to the list of jurisdictions with which Australia has a reciprocal arrangement for judgements under the Foreign Judgement's Act, how are those jurisdictions selected for inclusion?</p> <p>b) What process does the Attorney General's Department go through to assess prospective jurisdictions for inclusion in that list?</p> <p>c) How relevant is the similarity of legal systems in these assessments?</p>	Written

					<p>d) What role do other considerations such as trade negotiations play in this process?</p> <p>e) The Foreign Judgement's Act (1991) was drafted before the emergence of the digital economy and a plethora of free trade agreements. Is there recognition that this Act may require amendment to more accurately reflect modern commerce and related trends in liability?</p>	
50.	MHAJ	AFP	Xenophon	Criminal Assets Confiscation Taskforce	Can the AFP provide a figure in dollar terms of the assets that have been reclaimed by the Criminal Assets Confiscation Taskforce?	Written
51.	MHAJ	AFP	Xenophon	Project Stop	Does the AFP ever use data from Project Stop in pursuing drug cases?	Written
52.	MHAJ	Program 1.6 CrJD	Xenophon	Confiscated Assets Account funds	<p>a) Can the AFP or Department provide a break-down of how much of the funds in the Confiscated Assets Account have been spent, and where?</p> <p>b) Have any of these funds been directed to managing online databases like Project Stop, operated by the Australian Pharmaceutical Guild, which records purchases of products containing pseudoephedrine?</p>	Written
53.	AG	Program 1.1 CLD	Brandis	Legal Services Expenditure	<p>In relation to the 2011-12 Legal Services Expenditure Report and legal services expenditure generally:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At the last round of Supplementary Budget Estimates, Mr Minogue – an official from the Department, assured the Committee that the 2011-12 Report would be published before the end of November.<sup>1</sup> Why was it not published until 20 December 2012?</li> <li>What percentage of the litigation work of FMA and CAC agencies does the Australian Government Solicitor retain?</li> </ol>	Written

<sup>1</sup> L&CA Committee Hansard, Tuesday 16 October 2012, page 181

					<p>3. In respect of the recent introduction of a legal services multi-use list and service provider, which I understand will come into effect after the notification period of 9 May 2013:</p> <p>a. Has the Department estimated how much legal expenditure will reduce as a result of the change?</p> <p>b. If yes, by how much?</p> <p>4. Referring to the report compiled by Mr Gruen for the Department on the LSMUL, a table of 'prospective gains' from the MULs scheme has been included.<sup>2</sup> Mr Gruen has suggested that the changes would result in a potential gain per annum of between \$29-56 million. Does the Department agree with this estimation?</p>	
54.	AG	Program 1.1 CLD	Brandis	Compliance with legal services directions	<p>1. At the last round of Supplementary Budget Estimates, the Department advised that in 2011-12, 95 reviews were opened in relation to reports of non-compliance with the legal services directions. The Department later advised in response to a question on notice of 16 October 2012 that that 60 of those reviews were finalised.</p> <p>a. Of the remaining 35, how many have now been finalised?</p> <p>2. Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates:</p> <p>a. How many new reviews have been opened in respect of compliance with the legal services directions?</p> <p>b. Do any of these new reviews relate to a breach of the model litigant rules?</p>	Written
55.	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Staffing	<p>In relation to staffing:</p> <p>a) How many staff does the AFP currently have? Has this figure</p>	Written

<sup>2</sup> Page xvi, Learning from experience: Purchasing legal services, Nicholas Gruen

					<p>changed over the past twelve months?</p> <p>b) Have there been any redundancies whether forced or voluntary in the past twelve months?</p> <p>c) If positions have been cut, from which areas have they been made?</p>	
56.	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Cocos Keeling Island boat arrivals	<p>In relation to Cocos Keeling Island boat arrivals:</p> <p>a) How many boat arrival interceptions has the AFP been involved in over the past three years?</p> <p>b) How many AFP officers are currently stationed on Cocos and how has this changed over the past three years, and if the change has occurred more recently, how has this changed over the past 6 months?</p> <p>c) What resources does the AFP have on Cocos Keeling island?</p> <p>d) Are there any plans to deploy further officers in the near future? If yes, how many?</p>	Written
57.	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Christmas Island deployment	<p>In relation to the Christmas Island Deployment:</p> <p>a) Can you provide an update of how many AFP officers are currently stationed at Christmas Island?</p> <p>b) Can you provide the figures as at the first day of the month for the past six months?</p> <p>c) Over the past six months, has the AFP had to respond to any incidents at the Immigration Detention Centre and associated facilities on Christmas Island? If yes, detail the specific dates and nature of the incident including how many detainees and officers involved.</p>	Written

58.	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	500 sworn officers	<p>a) Can you provide an update on the 500 sworn police officers that were promised by the current Government during the 2007 election campaign?</p> <p>b) How much has been spent to date to fulfil this promise? How many officers have been sworn in?</p> <p>c) Is this a promise that has been hard to fulfil give the staff and budget cuts the Government have asked your agency to make?</p>	Written
59.	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	People Smuggling Strike Team	<p>a) What is the current amount of funding allocated per year for the People Smuggling Strike Team?</p> <p>b) How many staff are in the People Smuggling Strike Team? Has this number changed over the past twelve months? And over the past three years?</p> <p>c) Where are the staff located?</p> <p>d) Is the People Smuggling Strike Team involved with the anti-people smuggling campaign run by Customs? If yes, what is the involvement?</p>	Written
60.	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Immigration detention centre policing	<p>In relation to immigration detention centre policing:</p> <p>a) Can you provide an update on the current status of the MOU between the AFP, DIAC, SERCO and the State and Territory police?</p> <p>b) Why is it taking so long to finalise the last MOUs? What are the points of disagreement that are holding up the process?</p> <p>c) When do you expect the MOUs to be finalized?</p>	Written

					<p>d) Are you satisfied that the signed MOUs clearly detail the roles and responsibilities for each agency when a riot or escalated incident occurs that SERCO cannot contain?</p> <p>e) Has additional Commonwealth funding and resources been provided where appropriate to State and Territory police?</p> <p>f) Have AFP offices been involved in training State and Territory police in public order management to deal with incidents of this nature at detention centres?</p> <p>g) How many incidents have the AFP responded to at any immigration detention centre over the past twelve months? Detail the nature of the incident, the response, how many officers were involved.</p>	
61.	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Captain Emad	<p>Referring to the case of Captain Emad, also known as Ali Al Abbasi and Abu Kalid, who fled Australian on 5 June 2012, a day after the ABC's Four Corners program linked him to a people smuggling operation and revealed he was working a supermarket trolley supervisor at a Canberra shopping centre:</p> <p>How long had the AFP been investigating Captain Emad?</p> <p>a) What is the usual practice when the AFP are investigating someone who is on any kind of visa? Is DIAC usually informed?</p> <p>b) Why was DIAC not informed that Captain Emad was a people smuggler? Assuming they had known he was a people smuggler they would have cancelled his visa and put him back in immigration detention? Is this a reasonable assumption?</p> <p>c) Does the AFP know of his whereabouts currently? Are there any efforts being made with overseas law enforcement counterparts to have him extradited back to Australia to face people smuggling</p>	Written



					charges?	
62.	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Airport security	<p>In relation to airport security:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the total cost of community policing at each individual airport which has AFP in attendance (dollar amount)?</li> <li>2. What is the breakdown of the cost of community policing activities compared to counter-terrorism policing activities at each individual major airport as a percentage?</li> <li>3. What is the number of incidents that occur in terminals (passenger related) vs. outside terminals (business park related)?</li> <li>4. How many AFP are currently stationed at each airport?</li> <li>5. How many of them are sworn officers as required by the change over to the All-In model?</li> <li>6. Referring to the decision to partially recover the costs of aviation security services that are provided by the AFP at Australia's international airports, which will generate \$118.1 million in revenue over four years. (2012-13 Budget Paper No2, p10) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) What kind of consultation is currently underway between the Australian Federal Police, the federal government and the operators of Australian airports to determine an appropriate model for this levy?</li> <li>b) What is the process by which the Australian Federal Police determine current and future AFP staffing levels at Australian airports?</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Written

					<p>7. What level of consultation is conducted between the Australian Federal Police and the operators of Australian airports with regard to current and future AFP staffing levels? (follow up question)</p> <p>a) Is that number constant or does it fluctuate depending on circumstance? If it fluctuates can you provide the number of AFP officers that were stationed at each airport for each month of the past twelve months?</p> <p>8. What tourism sector impact modelling has been conducted on the impacts of passing the \$118.1 million in costs related to Australian Federal Police (AFP) security to airports?</p> <p>9. What consultation was conducted between the AFP, Government and the operators of Australian airports where AFP staff are stationed in relation to the budgeted increase in AFP costs levied to airport operators?</p> <p>10. How many full-time equivalent staffing positions will be reduced at Australian airports due to the efficiency dividend implemented during the 2012-13 financial year?</p> <p>11. With reference to the transfer of \$118.1 million in costs related to AFP security to airports, which will pass these costs to tourists, and given that a previous PMC increase was said to cover the cost of AFP security at airports, can an explanation be provided regarding this 'double dipping'.</p>	
63.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	SmartGate	<p>1. With reference to the \$7.9 million announced to purchase 20 additional Smart Gates to streamline border processing, and the simultaneously announced staff cuts of 190 positions, does the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (the agency)</p>	Written

					<p>foresee any problems associated with reducing staff before Smart Gates are shown to effectively take their place?</p> <p>2. Does the agency have plans to install Smart Gates at departure points?</p>	
64.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	ANAO report on SmartGate	<p>Referring to the 25 June 2012 report by the Australian National Audit Office showing the uptake of Smart Gates is well below what the Government had anticipated:</p> <p>1. What is the average passenger referral rate (biometric failure rate) for Smart Gates at all Australian international airports?</p> <p>2. What is the forecast average passenger referral rate (biometric failure rate) for Smart Gates at all Australian international airports following the expansion of Smart Gate kiosks by the 2014-15 financial year?</p>	
65.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Passenger Movement Charge	<p>What fee structures has the agency agreed with airlines for administration of the Government's Passenger Movement Charge (PMC)?</p>	Written
66.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Airport staffing	<p>1. Given that the Government announced the reduction of 190 Agency staff, further to the 70 cuts over the previous year which led to longer passenger facilitation times at airports, with an average increased wait of 24 minutes, industrial action, and concerns over lax attitudes to border security, has the agency or department measured the impact of this latest staff cut in terms of increased wait-times for passengers at airports; if so, what is the impact?</p> <p>2. With respect to staff cuts at airports, how many of these are desk officers and how many are frontline agents?</p>	Written
67.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Passenger	<p>1. What is the average cost associated with individual passenger</p>	Written

				Facilitation costs	<p>facilitation at Australian international airports by the agency?</p> <p>2. On what basis was the workload growth funding of \$3.95 per passenger derived?</p>	
68.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Capital Works Program	What individual capital works programs will be cancelled by the agency as a result of the \$19.5 million cut to the capital works program in the forward estimates of the 2012-13 Budget.	Written
69.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Duty-Free Allowance changes	<p>1. With the change to the duty free allowance of cigarettes as of 1 September 2012, could you confirm how many passengers were over their duty free allowance from that date to the present?</p> <p>2. What overseas education campaigns are underway to educate travellers who are coming to Australia about changes to the duty free allowance?</p> <p>3. What percentage of passengers who were over the duty free allowance chose to forfeit their goods and how many chose to pay the duty? Where any fines administered for those who did not comply with the new rules?</p>	Written
70.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Passenger processing	Have passenger processing times changed over the past twelve months? If so, detail the changes (minutes of waiting time) for each airport. Have passenger numbers changed over the past twelve months? Have they gone up or down?	Written
71.	MHAJ	Customs and AGD	Brandis	Anti-dumping	<p>In relation to anti-dumping:</p> <p>1. What was the total in remuneration and benefits paid to Mr Brumby for his work on the recent anti-dumping review?</p> <p>2. On 4 December 2012, the Prime Minister and Ministers Clare and Combet announced that a further \$24.4 million had been earmarked for the administration of Australia's anti-dumping system.</p> <p>From where was that increase in funding sourced? Was it from a</p>	Written

					<p>reallocation of funding earmarked for other programs (and, if so, which ones) or is it new spending that is not being directly offset?</p> <p>3. Assuming the relevant Bill is passed, by what date does the Government expect that the Australian Anti-Dumping Commission will be operational?</p> <p>4. How many staff are currently employed in the International Trade Remedies Branch? Of these, how many does the Government expect will relocate to Melbourne to work in the Anti-Dumping Commission upon its establishment?</p>	
72.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Cargo Inspections	<p>In relation to cargo inspections: Given the Minister for Home Affairs' announcement on 12 February 2012 that the Government has asked the Australian Crime Commission to conduct a National Intelligence Assessment of the illegal firearm market and its links to gang activity.</p> <p>1. Has the Government offered any additional resources to Customs to stop illegal weapons, specifically firearms from coming through air or sea cargo consignments?</p> <p>2. Can you provide an update of the amount of sea and air cargo consignments that are coming into the country?</p> <p>3. What percentage are being examined and physically inspected?</p>	Written
73.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Tourist Refund Scheme	<p>In relation to the tourist refund scheme:</p> <p>1. What is the total budget for the Tourist Refund Scheme?</p> <p>2. Has Customs conducted any reviews or studies into moving to an electronic system or privatising the program?</p>	Written

					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. What are the total labour costs associated with the administration of the Tourist Refund Scheme (TRS) in Australia?</li> <li>4. Can a cost breakdown of TRS administration be provided including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. the number and level of staff (actual and full-time equivalent) allocated to TRS functions at each international airport and shipping port; and</li> <li>b. (b) the number of staff allocated to back-of-office administration of TRS payments and refunds?</li> </ol> </li> <li>5. What are the total non-labour costs associated with the administration of the TRS in Australia?</li> <li>6. What is the total monthly expenditure incurred by the agency for the rental of airport premises for TRS processing and export verification activities?</li> <li>7. What has the Government paid in commissions to airlines to administer the PMC since its inception, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. how much has been paid each year since 1996;</li> <li>b. how much has been paid to each airline; and</li> <li>c. how much is paid per ticket?</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	
74.	MHAJ	Customs	Brandis	Handguns	<p>In relation to handguns:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many handguns have been seized by Customs for each financial year since 07/08?</li> <li>2. How many of these handguns for each financial year since 07/08 were subsequently returned to an importer/customer ie were not passed on to any other law enforcement agency or destroyed?</li> <li>3. How many of the illegal handguns seized by Customs contained no serial number or identification information?</li> </ol>	Written

					<p>4. What proportion of illegal imports did this cohort represent?</p> <p>5. How many times has Customs acted on the advice of the NSW Police Force in regards to the illegal importation of guns into Australia since the NSW Police uncovered the gun smuggling ring operating out of Sylvania Waters in March last year?</p>	
75.	MHAJ	Program 1.6 CrJD	Humphries	Safer Suburbs	<p>Provide a list of projects that have been funded under this program. Include the location of the program, the cost and a status update (such as project completed or underway).</p> <p>How much funding remains in the program? Provide a yearly breakdown. What is committed, and can you provide details of what the funding is committed to?</p>	Written
76.	AG (MEM)	Program 1.7 EMA	Brandis	AGDRP	<p>In relation to Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the process for activating the AGDRP?</li> <li>2. What is the name of the document, the policy, or the manual, that proscribes the procedure and formulae involved in the activation of the AGDRP?</li> </ol> <p>Please provide a copy of this document.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. What is the definition, of “<i>major disaster</i>” in terms of the activation of the AGDRP?</li> <li>4. In determining when the AGDRP is activated, what are the thresholds in terms of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Value of damage to either private or public infrastructure?</li> <li>b) Number of individuals affected?</li> <li>c) Percentage of community affected?</li> </ol> </li> <li>5. What is the relationship between the activation of NDRRA and the</li> </ol>	Written

					<p>activation of the AGDRP?</p> <p>6. Does any specific category of NDRRA need to be activated to enable the activation of the AGDRP?</p> <p>7. Can the AGDRP be activated before, or in the absence of, an NDRRA activation for a local government area?</p> <p>8. Does the Commonwealth or the Minister, require Local Governments or State Governments to formally apply for activation of the AGDRP?</p> <p>If so, what is the application process?</p> <p>Please provide a copy of the document which lays down the application process.</p> <p>What information must a Local Government or State Government provide to enable the activation of the AGDRP?</p> <p>9. Is there a maximum time frame after a “<i>major disaster</i>” after which the AGDRP cannot be activated?</p> <p>10. What has been, to date, the longest time frame after the occurrence of a “major” disaster, when AGDRP has been activated for a local government area?</p> <p>11. Can the AGDRP be activated for a local government area during, or in expectation of a “<i>major disaster</i>”, at a point before which the Commonwealth has appraised the full extent of damage to a local government area?</p> <p>Has this occurred in 2013?</p> <p>12. Do the activation processes for AGDRP require, in all instances, a</p>	
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					<p>Ministerial discretion to be applied?</p> <p>13. If so, in making such a determination is the Minister required to seek the advice of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) EMA</li> <li>b) The relevant State Government</li> <li>c) The relevant local government authority</li> <li>d) The relevant Federal Member of the House of Representatives</li> <li>e) Any other office holder, agency or organization?</li> </ul> <p>14. Please describe the processes and role EMA plays in relation to the AGDRP.</p> <p>15. In response to the flood event on January 2013 related to Tropical Cyclone and Ex-Tropical Cyclone Oswald, on what dates did EMA staff or officers visit or inspect the local government areas of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Bundaberg</li> <li>b) Cherbourg</li> <li>c) Fraser Coast</li> <li>d) Gladstone</li> <li>e) Gympie</li> <li>f) Lockyer Valley</li> <li>g) North Burnett</li> <li>h) Rockhampton</li> <li>i) Somerset</li> <li>j) South Burnett</li> <li>k) Banana</li> <li>l) Central Highlands</li> </ul>	
77.	AG	OAIC	Brandis	AHRC MoU	The Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC) budget statement includes an amount of \$4.775m per year, part of which is described as “accommodation and shared services under a memorandum of understanding” with the OAIC.	Written

					<p>1. Would you please outline the terms of the MoU and the nature of the accommodation and shared services with the AHRC.</p> <p>2. Are these terms commercially competitive? Have alternatives to these arrangements been explored?</p>	
78.	MHAJ	Customs	Colbeck	Cargo Inspections and Funding	<p>Question to Customs and Border Protection</p> <p>A recent report has highlighted the fact that Australia’s national security priorities are being placed at risk due to budget reductions in law enforcement, specifically in border protection.</p> <p>Provide details of the inspection component of the customs and border budget for the last 5 financial years.</p> <p>Provide details of the implementation of the new ‘risk-based intelligence-lead’ approach to Border Protection.</p> <p>Is it true that this plan will reduce inspections of air cargo by 76% and sea cargo by 24%?</p> <p>What testing, review and assessment of this new approach has been undertaken?</p> <p>What were the results?</p> <p>Is it true that the new system leaves Australia’s border protection particularly vulnerable to terrorist organizations and international crime syndicates?</p> <p>Is there data to support the reduction of illegal importation of illicit substances under the new approach?</p> <p>The comparison of border protection budget patterns between Australia and</p>	Written

					<p>New Zealand, United States, European Union and Canada show that Australia is the only country to have reduced its budget allocation.</p> <p>Does this not make Australia a target for terrorists and crime organizations?</p> <p>Has the Department considered the immediate and long-term consequences of these cuts to Australia's national security and the general welfare and well being of Australia's population?</p>	
79.	MHAJ	Customs	Birmingham	Destruction of vessels at sea	<p>What involvement has the Department and/or portfolio agencies (e.g. Australian Customs and Border Protection Service) had in the scuttling, destruction, sinking and/or dumping of illegal foreign fishing vessels (IFFVs) or suspected illegal entry vessels (SIEVs)?</p> <p>How many vessels have been dealt with in this way in the current and previous financial years? Please detail numbers by location.</p> <p>What environmental (e.g. under EPBC Act or Sea Dumping Act) or other approvals have been sought? What consideration has been given to fish breeding grounds, including for Southern Bluefin Tuna, in the conduct of these activities? What analysis has been undertaken before and/or after these activities in relation to pollution and any other risks?</p>	Written
80.	MHAJ	CrimTrac	Humphries	Portfolio Board	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What date was the Portfolio Board established?</li> <li>2. Who was responsible for the establishment this board?</li> <li>3. Is the Portfolio Board still existent? If so, please provide the names of all persons currently on this board, and all the names of the former members?</li> <li>4. What date was Mr Murray Rankin appointed to this Board?</li> <li>5. What date was Mr Rankin appointed as Chairman?</li> <li>6. Who appointed Mr Rankin to the Board and to the position of Chairman?</li> <li>7. What was the total remuneration paid to Mr Rankin?</li> <li>8. When was Mr Rankin 'alleviated' of his position as Chairman of</li> </ol>	Written

					<p>the Portfolio Board, and was the specific advice leading to Mr Doug Smith's opinion that it was inappropriate that he sit on the range of boards and committees as he did?</p> <p>9. Did Mr Rankin disclose any possible conflict of interest arising from his role as Chairman of the Portfolio Board, as CrimTrac's Information Technology Adviser and his role as Chairman of Connexion Business Solutions? If so, please detail the date of disclosure?</p> <p>10. Please detail the why CrimTrac is currently revising Board practices relating to conflict of interest?</p> <p>11. Did CrimTrac consider any alternative service providers prior to awarding contracts to Connexion Business Solutions? If so, which businesses were considered? If not, please detail why?</p>	
81.	MHAJ	CrimTrac	Humphries	Staffing matters	<p>1. What payments were made to Mr Jeff Storer and Mr Darin Brumby during their tenure? Provide detail on all bonuses paid, ex gratia payments, severance packages, remuneration and pay increases?</p> <p>2. Have any ex gratia payments been made to an employee/s of CrimTrac during Mr Smith's tenure? Please provide detail.</p> <p>3. Was Mr Storer or Mr Brumby offered a redundancy?</p> <p>4. What were the circumstances surrounding Mr Storer's and Mr Brumby's departure from CrimTrac?</p> <p>5. Has Mr Murray Rankin ever been consulted by CrimTrac on increases to executive salaries?</p> <p>6. At the time of their departure from CrimTrac, was either Mr Storer or Mr Brumby under investigation, or had they been under investigation?</p> <p>7. Have there been any instances whereby an executive's salary was being paid by CrimTrac after their resignation?</p> <p>8. Have there been any instances where an executive employee of CrimTrac has moved overseas to take on another career opportunity without having sought preapproval for external employment whilst still employed by CrimTrac?</p> <p>9. Please provide detail of all bonuses and ex gratia payments awarded to staff since the commencement of Mr Smith's tenure to the</p>	Written

					current date. Provide detail on the reason for the award, the amount, date of payment, and please indicate where more than one award has been made to the same employee.	
82.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Staffing	<p>In relation to staff:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many serving police officers were seconded to the Australian Crime Commission, and from which jurisdiction, each year from 2007/08 to 2012/13? How many of these secondments were funded by the ACC vs jurisdiction funded?</li> <li>2. What was the ACC staff headcount by employment capacity [<i>office location</i>] every year from 2007/08 to 2012/13? How many of these positions were permanent vs part time?</li> <li>3. How many non-seconded active ACC staff as of 12/13 had previously worked in Australian Federal/State/Territory or overseas law enforcement agencies? Which agencies?</li> <li>4. How many former AFP staff are working at the ACC as opposed to former State/Territory police staff?</li> <li>5. How many of those staff have had operational experience at Task Force level- such as Ethnic Crime Task Forces, such as the NSW Mid Eastern Force or Victorian Gangland murder investigations?</li> <li>6. In 2007/08, 08/09, 09/10, 10/11, 11/12 and 12/13 how many people who had not previously served in any Federal/State/Territory or overseas law enforcement agencies were appointed to jobs with the Australian Crime Commission?</li> <li>7. Provide a breakdown of permanent ACC staff [<i>excluding seconded</i>] based on their professional disciplines – ACC Examiners, Australian Public Servants and contractors and consultants for each year from 2007/08 to 2012/13</li> </ol>	Written

					<p>8. How many staff made up the Serious Crime Research Team every year from 2007/08 to 2012/13 and how many have backgrounds working in Australian or overseas law enforcement agencies?</p> <p>9. As of 12/13 how many members of the ACC Serious Crime Research Team are serving members or have a background in Australian or overseas law enforcement agencies?</p> <p>10. How many members of task forces were working at the ACC each year from 2007/08 to 2012/13?</p> <p>11. How many ACC staff were dedicated to field work operations every year from 2007/08 to 12/13?</p>	
83.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Prosecutions	<p>In relation to prosecutions:</p> <p>1. How many investigations into criminal activity has the Australian Crime Commission launched every year from 2007/08 to 2012/13?</p> <p>2. How many prosecutions have resulted from investigations initiated solely by the Australian Crime Commission from 2007/08 to 2012/13?</p> <p>3. How many disruptions to crime entities were made as a result of ACC intelligence gathering and investigations every year from 2007/08 to 12/13 including what value of illicit drugs, what value of cash taken off the streets and what value of proceeds of crime restrained?</p> <p>4. How many criminal prosecutions came as either a direct or indirect result of <i>intelligence reports and briefs, operational analysis and tactical intelligence products</i> drafted by the ACC?</p>	Written

					5. How many ACC staff have testified for criminal matters before the Supreme Court of any State/Territory every year from 2007/08 to 12/13?	
84.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Firearms	<p>In relation to firearms:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The 2011/12 ACC annual report cites 16 firearms were seized during 2011/2012, where were those weapons seized and who seized them? Were any of those firearms Glock pistols seized by NSW Police during the busting of an alleged criminal syndicate that is accused of smuggled up to 220 Glock pistols through Sylvania Waters last year?</li> </ol>	Written
85.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Seizures	<p>In relation to seizures:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Every year from 2007/08 to 12/13, what is the exact quantity of drug seizures, cash seizures, seizures of proceeds of crime, seizures of firearms and other weapons that have resulted from ACC initiated operations, i.e. where the ACC were the 'lead' agency in identifying a criminal network and passed their information on to 'partners'?</li> <li>2. Every year from 2007/08 to 12/13 what was the exact amount of confiscated assets that were returned to the Federal Government?</li> </ol>	Written
86.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Intelligence	<p>In relation to intelligence:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Does the ACC have its own intelligence generating system or does it get the majority of its intelligence from State/Territory Police Force holdings?</li> </ol>	Written
87.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Consultants	In relation to consultants engaged by the ACC - of the consultants identified in the ACC 11/12 Annual Report –	Written

					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Who are they?</li> <li>2. Did any of these consultants have a background in law enforcement? Were any previously employed as officers of the AFP?</li> <li>3. Are there any former AFP or ACC personnel now employed as consultants with the ACC and at what cost?</li> </ol>	
88.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Investigation of Australian Customs and Border Protection Service officers	<p>In relation to the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Did the ACC have any role in exposing recent alleged cases of corrupt Customs officers? If so, what?</li> </ol>	Written
89.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Gun crime data	<p>In relation to data on gun crime:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Has the ACC produced any data on how many of the gun crimes in Australia since 2008/09 have been perpetrated by criminals with rifles or other firearms (Firearm Categories A,B,C and D according to the 1996 National Firearms Agreement) that aren't hand guns?</li> <li>2. How many and what proportion were handguns (Category H firearms)?</li> <li>3. Of the handguns that have been used in crimes and seized by police or law enforcement since 2008/09 how many were traceable via serial numbers or any other identifying details? If other identifying details – what were they?</li> <li>4. Of the guns that have been traced by serial number or any other identifying detail how many were found to have been smuggled into Australia? How many are suspected to have been smuggled into Australia?</li> </ol>	Written



					<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>5. How many of the guns seized were non-traceable through serial numbers or other identifying details?</li><li>6. Where does the ACC or other law enforcement agencies including State and Territory police forces believe these guns originated?</li><li>7. Of the figure produced or quoted by the ACC – that just 1 per cent of the estimated quarter of a million firearms in the hands of criminals nationally were illegally imported – how many of this one per cent were actually traced with the aid of identification details such as serial numbers etc?</li><li>8. How many handgun seizures reported to or investigated by the ACC were untraceable due to lack of identifying details such as serial numbers?</li><li>9. Is it the ACC's belief that in such circumstances these handguns may have been illegally imported into Australia?</li><li>10. Does the ACC have any information on how much an illegally imported handgun costs on the black market? How does that compare with prices stretching two, three, five years ago or even 12 months?</li><li>11. Does the ACC believe that this is a result of increase demand? If so, where is the demand coming from?</li><li>12. Does the ACC have projections on the number of guns (and handguns) that are being smuggled across our borders?</li></ol>	
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90.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Intelligence	<p>In relation to intelligence:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To the ACC's knowledge has there been any reluctance from any State/Territory police force or any other State/Territory law enforcement agency to share intelligence with Customs? If so, when and how did this manifest itself?</li> <li>2. What is the ACC's view of the reasons?</li> </ol>	Written
91.	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Sylvania Waters Post Office seizure	<p>In relation to Sylvania Waters Post Office seizure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the potential impact on gun crime, shootings and retaliatory shootings by the importation of 220 Glock pistols that as far as has been publically determined up to 218 remain in circulation in Australia after Customs failed to detect them?</li> <li>2. How many guns does the ACC either know or believe were illegally imported into Australia have subsequently been used or are suspected of having been used in shootings in Sydney?</li> </ol>	Written
92.	AG	Program 1.2 NSLPD	Di Natale	Building Community Resilience program	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Representations have been made to me that in some Culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities there has been a sense of frustration about eligibility for grants such as the Department's Building Community Resilience program, with some community groups taking the view that so-called 'law-abiding communities' are unable to access grant monies unless they perversely seek to 'defame' their own communities by suggesting there is potential for violent extremism within their own friends and families. Have such concerns been expressed to the Department directly? How does the Attorney-General's Department frame eligibility for grants under the countering violent extremism outcome in order to encourage</li> </ol>	Written

					<p>and reward positive behaviour rather than simply addressing negative behaviour?</p> <p>2. Representations have been made to me that small community groups with grassroots links to communities are finding it difficult to compete with larger service providers and agencies for grants such as the Department's Building Community Resilience program. What alternative processes does the Attorney-General's Department offer small community groups to allow them to access funding under the countering violent extremism program?</p>	
93.	AG	ASIO	Brandis	Australian Cyber Security Centre	<p>Referring to the new Australian Cyber Security Centre announced by the Prime Minister on 23 January in her address on National Security:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Was ASIO consulted over this announcement?</li> <li>2. When and why did ASIO decide that a new cyber security centre was needed?</li> <li>3. Was ASIO also consulted over the 2013 Defence White Paper?</li> <li>4. Given the vital input by ASIO into the [draft] Defence White Paper on the issue of cyber security, why is it that the White Paper, dated 11 December 2012, just a few weeks before the Prime Minister's National Security statement, makes no mention of a need for a new Cyber Security Centre, in fact noting that the existing Cyber Security Operations Centre has developed a 'comprehensive understanding of the cyber threat environment' and that it is able to 'coordinate responses to malicious cyber events that target government networks'?</li> <li>5. How will the new Australian Cyber Security Centre announced by the Prime Minister on 23 January differ from the Cyber Security Operations Centre which former Defence Minister Senator Faulkner</li> </ol>	Written

					announced on 15 January 2010?	
94.	AG (MEM)	Program 1.7 EMA	Humphries	AGDRP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Have any requests or representations been made to the Minister or the Department for activation of the Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP) from December 2012 to the current date? Please provide detail as to how many requests were received, from whom and on what dates?</li> <li>2. Has the Minister or Department been approached by individuals, communities, state or local governments seeking to obtain clarification as to when the AGDRP is activated, what criteria must be met before activation and the process of activation? Please provide detail on how many representations have sought clarification pertaining to these payments for the years 2011, 2012 and 2013?</li> <li>3. Does the Department consider requests for the activation of AGDRP from individuals, state and local governments when making an assessment to activate the payments?</li> <li>4. Have there been any instances where the activation of the AGDRP was actuated in a community, Local Government Area or region where Category C of the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) was not activated? Please provide detail as to the date/s and area/s of activation in these instances, and the reasons for activation?</li> <li>5. Have there been any instances where the activation of the AGDRP was actuated in a community, Local Government Area or region where assistance under the NDRRA was not activated? Please provide detail as to the date/s and area/s of activation in these instances, and the reasons for activation?</li> <li>6. What consultation has the Department had with communities, individuals, local and state governments regarding the AGDRP and its activation process?</li> <li>7. How many complaints has the Minister or Department received regarding the AGDRP? Please provide detail of the context of these complaints?</li> </ol>	Written
95.	AG	Program	Humphries	Disaster Watch	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many members of staff have been tasked with monitoring ECP</li> </ol>	Written

	(MEM)	1.6 NSCDD		phone application	<p>data and feedback to identify trends in non-genuine calls to 000 as a result of the DisasterWatch phone application?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Please provide the evidence obtained seeking to support a reduction in nongenuine 000 calls resulting from the DisasterWatch phone application?</li> <li>3. Has the Department conducted a feasibility study into a possible upgrade of the DisasterWatch phone application to cater for push messages?</li> <li>4. What is the total cost of upgrading the system?</li> <li>5. Is the Department aware of any instances where information made available on the application has not been directly related to a disaster or an emergency?</li> </ol>	
96.	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	Cape Class Vessels	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many personnel will be staffed on each Cape Class vessel, including crew, Customs and Border Protection officers and support personnel?</li> <li>2. On what dates did Customs &amp; Border Protection Command advertise in the media to recruit staff for the new Cape Class patrol boats?</li> <li>3. From this process, how many applications were received? Of this number, how many applicants were successful?</li> <li>4. How many applicants were required to adequately staff the new Cape Class patrol boats?</li> <li>5. Was there an internal recruitment process seeking expressions of interest from current Customs and Border Protection Command employees?</li> <li>6. How many internal applications and/or formal expressions of interest from staff were received from the internal recruitment process? How many of the internal applicants were successful?</li> <li>7. Have there been any instances where Customs or Border Protection Command have compelled a current or former employee to staff the new Cape Class vessel, or have required a current or former employee to fulfil a period of secondment on the new Cape Class vessels?</li> </ol>	Written

					<p>8. Will Customs and Border Protection Command be required to advertise further to ensure adequate staffing levels for the Cape Class vessels?</p> <p>9. Are all of the (8) Cape Class patrol boats on schedule?</p> <p>10. Will the full operational capacity of the fleet be expected in 2015?</p>	
97.	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	Staffing	<p>Referring to Question on Notice No. 142 asked at the October 2012 Estimate hearings.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please detail the circumstances for each reduction, were these voluntary redundancies, forced redundancies, etc?</li> <li>2. What effect on the operational capacity of regional offices has this reduction of (43) employees had?</li> <li>3. Are these reductions a consequence of federal government budget pressures?</li> <li>4. What is the total number of staff reductions in regional offices to date?</li> <li>5. How many staff are stationed in the following regional offices – Bowen, Broome, Bunbury, Cairns, Dampier, Gladstone, Geraldton, Launceston, Mackay, Newcastle, Port Hedland, Port Lincoln, Thursday Island and Townsville?</li> <li>6. Have there been any expressions of concern or representations made regarding the reduction in staff in regional offices? Please detail from whom and on what date/s?</li> </ol>	Written
98.	AG	Family Court, Federal Magistrates Court	Brandis	Court deficit	<p>In his 2012 Chief Executive Officer’s Report, Mr Richard Foster noted that the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia would “achieve a balanced budget in 2012-13 and 2013-14, without the need for drastic job losses”.<sup>3</sup></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Given this, why are the Family Court and the Federal Magistrates Court recording deficits across the forward estimates?</li> </ol>	Written
99.	AG	Family Court, Federal Magistrates	Brandis	Court deficit	<p>The Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements provide that the Family Court of Australia recorded a higher actual deficit in 2011-12 than what was estimated.</p>	Written

<sup>3</sup> Message from the Chief Executive Officer, 2 October 2012, page v

		Court			1. Please outline the reasons behind that increase.	
100	AG	Family Court, Federal Magistrates Court	Brandis	Continuing services	<p>If the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia are still projecting deficits over the forward estimates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Will both Courts be able to continue to provide their existing services, such as regional registries, circuits and the use of family reports in parenting cases?</li> <li>2. Will the courts be able to continue with the appointment of judicial officers to current vacancies?</li> </ol>	Written
101	AG	Family Court, Federal Magistrates Court, Program 1.1 AJD	Brandis	Court fees	<p>In relation to the increase to court filing fees announced in the 2012-13 Budget:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the estimated overall increase to court fee revenue over the forward estimates, as a result of the Government's increases?</li> <li>2. What is the estimated revenue increase within each court?</li> <li>3. What is the actual overall revenue increase to date?</li> <li>4. What is the actual increase within each court?</li> <li>5. What consultation was undertaken by the Department with the legal profession in relation to these increases? What feedback did the Department receive?</li> </ol>	Written
102	AG/MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Staffing recruitment	<p><u>Staffing recruitment</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?</li> <li>c) This financial year to date, how many employees have been</li> </ol>	Written

					employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?	
103	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Staffing cessations	<p><u>Staffing cessations</u></p> <p>a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency this financial year to date? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff left the department/agency this financial year to date? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>c) How many contract staff left department/agency in this financial year to date? What classification were these staff?</p>	Written
104	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Staffing reductions	<p><u>Staffing reductions</u></p> <p>a) 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.</p> <p>b) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</p>	Written
105	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Graduate Recruitment	<p><u>Graduate Recruitment</u></p> <p>a) How much has been spent on 2014 Graduate Recruitment to date? Please itemise and detail costs.</p> <p>b) Has any travel been incurred for 2014 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.</p> <p>c) How much was spent on 2013 Graduate Training? Provide details of what training was provided, why and the estimated cost for each.</p>	Written



106	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Education expenses	<p><u>Education expenses</u></p> <p>a) What is the department/agency's guidelines on study?</p> <p>b) 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
107	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	<p><u>Executive Coaching and Leadership Training</u></p> <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 classification</li> <li>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)</li> <li>4. The names of all service providers engaged</li> </ol> <p>For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</li> </ol>	Written

					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</li> <li>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification</li> <li>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>e) The total amount spent on the service</li> <li>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</li> </ul> <p>5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The location used.</li> <li>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification).</li> <li>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification).</li> <li>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location.</li> </ul>	
108	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Paid Parental Leave	<p><u>Paid Parental Leave</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Please list how many staff in each department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?</li> <li>b) 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.</li> <li>c) What is the paid parental scheme offered by each department and agency? How many staff have used the scheme this financial year to date.</li> </ul>	Written
109	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Conflict of Interest	<p>1. Have there been any instances where an employee of the department/agency has failed to disclose a possible conflict of interest?</p>	Written

					2. Have there been any instances where an employee of the department/agency has refused to sign or complete a conflict of interest disclosure form or similar document?	
110	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Protective security policy framework	<p><u>Protective Security Policy Framework</u></p> <p>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.</p>	Written
111	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Shredders	<p><u>Shredders</u></p> <p>1. Has the department/agencies purchased any shredders this financial year? If yes, provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) details of how many shredders were purchased</li> <li>b) the cost of each shredder</li> <li>c) why each new shredder was needed and</li> <li>d) the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.</li> </ol>	Written
112	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Making the Public Service more efficient	<p><u>Making the Public Service more efficient</u></p> <p>Please provide an update of the savings achieved 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 <a href="http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_1982012.html">http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_1982012.html</a>).</p> <p>In addition, please provide the following detail:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Can you quantify the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates for reductions in air travel?</li> <li>2) Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</li> <li>3) Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and</li> </ol>	Written

					<p>contractors?</p> <p>a) Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how?</p> <p>b) What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>4) Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>5) Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much?</p> <p>6) Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p>	
113	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Hospitality and Entertainment	<p><u>Hospitality and Entertainment</u></p> <p>a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>e) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	Written

					<p>f) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>g) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>h) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>i) 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>	
114	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Consultancies	<p><u>Consultancies</u></p> <p>a) 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>b) How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year?</p> <p>c) 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
115	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Contractors	<p><u>Contractors</u></p> <p>For this financial year to date:</p> <p>a) Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any</p>	Written

					<p>capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</p> <p>b) 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).</p> <p>c) 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).</p> <p>d) 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).</p> <p>e) 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).</p> <p>f) 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).</p> <p>g) 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).</p> <p>h) 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).</p> <p>i) Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey &amp; Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey &amp; Company? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>j) What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</p>	
116	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Grants	<u>Grants</u>	Written

					<p>a) 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>b) Have all grant agreement details been published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details.</p> <p>c) Provide a list of grants that your department/agency administers that had uncommitted grants funding reduced as per the statement by the Finance Minister on 22 October 2012 (see <a href="http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_2102012.html">http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_2102012.html</a>). How much was funding reduced for grant?</p>	
117	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Government Payments of Accounts	<p><u>Government Payments of Accounts</u></p> <p>1. For this financial year to date:</p> <p>a) 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> <p>b) 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.</p> <p>c) 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?</p> <p>d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>	Written
118	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Travel Costs	<p><u>Travel Costs</u></p> <p>a) 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</p>	Written

					<p>plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p> <p>b) 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). Also provide a reason for and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>c) What travel is planned for the rest of this financial year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>d) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>e) 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>f) 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>g) 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> <p>h) Does the Department elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?</p>	
119	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Legal costs	<p><u>Legal costs</u></p> <p>1)</p> <p>a) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the</p>	Written



					<p>department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>b) 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> <p>c) 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>d) 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>	
120	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Corporate Cars	<p><u>Corporate Cars</u></p> <p>a) How many cars are owned by each department/agency?  b) Where is the car/s located?  c) What is the car/s used for?  d) What is the cost of each car for this financial year to date?  e) How far did each car travel this financial year to date?</p>	Written
121	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Taxi Costs	<p><u>Taxi Costs</u></p> <p>a) 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.  b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?</p>	Written
122	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Credit Cards	<p><u>Credit Cards</u></p> <p>1) Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.</p>	Written

					<p>2) Please update details of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused?</li> <li>b) How is corporate credit card use monitored?</li> <li>c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered?</li> <li>d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.</li> <li>e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?</li> </ul>	
123	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Electricity Purchasing	<p><u>Electricity Purchasing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement?</li> <li>2) What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?</li> </ul>	Written
124	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Meeting Costs	<p><u>Meeting Costs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.</li> <li>b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</li> <li>c) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</li> <li>d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</li> </ul>	Written

125	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Program Launch Costs	<p><u>Program Launch Costs</u></p> <p>a) What is the Department/Agency's program launch spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total program launch spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) What program launch spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what program launch spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>e) What is the Department/Agency's program launch spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>f) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total program launch spend for 2011-12. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	Written
126	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Hire cars	<p><u>Hire Cars</u></p> <p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.</p>	Written

					b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?	
127	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Office Locations	<p><u>Office Locations</u></p> <p>Please provide a list of all office locations for all departments and agencies within the portfolio by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department/Agency;</li> <li>Location;</li> <li>Leased or Owned;</li> <li>Size;</li> <li>Number of Staff at each location and classification;</li> <li>If rented, the amount and breakdown of rent per square metre;</li> <li>If owned, the value of the building;</li> <li>Depreciation of buildings that are owned;</li> <li>Type of functions and work undertaken.</li> </ol>	Written
128	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Staff Amenities	<p><u>Staff amenities</u></p> <p>What amenities are provided to staff? Provide a list.</p>	Written
129	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Coffee Machines	<p><u>Coffee machines</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>Why were coffee machines purchased?</li> <li>Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</li> <li>Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?</li> <li>Who has access?</li> </ol>	Written

					<p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines?</p> <p>g) How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken.</p> <p>h) Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>i) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p> <p>j) Does the department/agency rent 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>k) Why are coffee machines rented?</p> <p>l) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>m) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>n) Who has access?</p> <p>o) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines?</p> <p>p) How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken.</p> <p>q) Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>r) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p>	
130	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Printing costs	<p><u>Printing Costs</u></p> <p>How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed this financial year to date?</p> <p>How many of these printed documents were also published online?</p>	Written
131	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Advertising	<p><u>Advertising</u></p> <p>a) What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date?</p> <p>b) Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide</p>	Written

					<p>details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.</p> <p>c) Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item.</p> <p>d) 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>e) 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>f) 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>g) What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the Department/Agency undertaking, or are planning to undertake?</p>	
132	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Media Monitoring	<p><u>Media Monitoring</u></p> <p>a) 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> <p>b) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>c) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</p> <p>d) What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?</p> <p>e) 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>	Written

					<p>f) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>g) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</p> <p>h) What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?</p>	
133	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Social Media	<p><u>Social Media</u></p> <p>a) 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>b) Does the department/agency monitor usage of social media?</p> <p>c) If yes, provide details of the usage (for example details could include average hours per employee, hours when useage peaks).</p> <p>d) Has there been a change to the department/agency protocols due to staff useage?</p> <p>e) If no, why not? Will the department/agency monitor useage in the future?</p> <p>f) 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
134	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Stationery requirements	<p><u>Stationery requirements</u></p> <p>1.</p> <p>a) 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?</p> <p>b) What are the department/agency's stationery costs for the financial year to date?</p>	Written

135	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Media Subscriptions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.</li> <li>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.</li> <li>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.</li> <li>b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Written
136	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Media Training	<p><u>Media Training</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Total spending on these services</li> <li>b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</li> <li>c) 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)</li> <li>d) The names of all service providers engaged</li> </ol> </li> <li>2) For each service purchased from a provider listed under 1) d), please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Written



					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</li> <li>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>e) The total amount spent on the service</li> <li>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</li> </ul> <p>3) Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The location used</li> <li>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion</li> <li>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</li> </ul>	
137	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Communications staff	<p><u>Communications staff</u></p> <p>1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: By Department or Agency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.</li> <li>b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</li> <li>c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</li> <li>d) How many are graphic designers?</li> <li>e) How many are media managers?</li> <li>f) How many organise events?</li> </ul>	Written

					2. Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?	
138	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Board Appointments	<u>Board Appointments</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) List all of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members.</li> <li>b) What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?</li> <li>c) Please detail any board appointments for this financial year to date.</li> </ol>	Written
139	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Community Cabinet Meetings	<u>Community Cabinet Meetings</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many Community Cabinet meetings has the Minister attended this financial year to date? List date and location.</li> <li>b) How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?</li> <li>c) What was the total cost of this travel? List travel type, accommodation and any other expenses.</li> <li>d) Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location.</li> <li>e) What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?</li> </ol>	Written
140	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Reviews	<u>Reviews</u> <p>For this financial year to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many Reviews are being undertaken?</li> </ol>	Written

					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b) What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded?</li> <li>c) Which of these reviews has been provided to Government?</li> <li>d) When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?</li> <li>e) Has the Government responded to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not?</li> <li>f) What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews?</li> <li>g) What reviews are planned?</li> <li>h) When will each of these reviews be concluded?</li> </ul>	
141	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Commissioned Reports	<p><u>Commissioned Reports</u></p> <p>1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How many Reports were 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.</li> <li>b) 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>c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</li> </ul>	Written
142	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Briefings for the Australian Greens and Independents	<p><u>Briefings for the Australian Greens and Independents</u></p> <p>1) Have any briefings been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</li> </ul>	Written

					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</li> <li>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</li> <li>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provided details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed.</li> <li>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</li> </ul> <p>2) Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</li> <li>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</li> <li>c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.</li> <li>d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provided details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.</li> <li>e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</li> <li>f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?</li> </ul>	
143	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Training for Portfolio	<u>Training for Portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries</u>	Written

				Minister and Secretaries	<p>1) 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.</p> <p>2) For this financial year to date, 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.</p> <p>3) For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training 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.</p>	
144	AG/MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Provision of Equipment	<p><u>Provision of Equipment</u></p> <p>1. 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>2. 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?</p> <p>3. 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>4. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic</p>	Written

					equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.	
145	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Internet	<u>Internet</u>  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
146	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Freedom of Information	<u>Freedom of Information</u>  a) Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests? b) What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date? c) How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date? d) How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted? e) Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? f) Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?	Written
147	MHAJ	Customs	Ronaldson	Passenger movement charge	What is the revised forward projection for revenue generated by the Passenger Movement Charge, given record inbound and outbound tourism?	Written
148	MHAJ	Customs	Cash	Whole-of-government joint working group	Which agencies were in the whole-of-government joint working group that met to discuss the broader issues of Australia's relationship with Malaysia?	Written
149	MHAJ	Customs	Humphries	Importation of performance or	<b>Senator HUMPHRIES:</b> Can you tell us from which countries these [performance or image enhancing] drugs are principally being imported?	L&C 16 12/02/2013

				image enhancing drugs	<b>Mr Pezzullo:</b> If there is anything I can add, I will need to come back to the committee. I have got the aggregate levels of seizures that we have detected both in terms of steroids and hormones. Some of that is described in the ACC report. Whether I can give you a country breakdown, I will have to have a look at that and see if there is anything I can usefully provide to the committee.	
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