QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/542) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.
- b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?
- c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date?

Answer:

- a) The portfolio subscribes to Foxtel/Austar's news channels, including:
 - A-PAC
 - Al Jazeera
 - BBC World
 - CNN
 - Crime and Investigation Network
 - Discovery Channel
 - ESPN
 - FOX News Channel
 - Metro (NDS)
 - National Geographic channel
 - Sky news Australia

The portfolio provides pay TV to people held in detention facilities and to its staff to support quality decision making.

- b) From 7 September 2013 to 28 February 2014 the portfolio spent approximately \$34 800.
- c) The office of the Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection has a Foxtel subscription.
- d) From 7 September 2013 to 28 February 2014 the cost was \$273.