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Q No.	AG/ MHAJ	Program: Division or Agency	Senator	Broad Tropic	Question	Proof Hansard Page and Hearing Date or Written Question
1	AG	AHRC	Wright	Closing the Gap	<p>Senator WRIGHT: Can I broaden the question out. Professor Triggs, are you aware of any opinion, advice or discussions that have been had with the commission about incorporating justice targets into the Closing the Gap strategy?</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: I am not aware of any advice being sought [by the government] but, if I may, I will take it on notice and see whether I can discover whether we have been consulted.</p>	L&C 9 16/10/2012
2	AG	AHRC	Wright	Complaints from people in detention	<p>Senator WRIGHT: Does the commission receive complaints from people in detention regarding their treatment by authorities?</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: It does.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Can you give me a sense of how frequent those sorts of concerns might be raised with the commission—for instance, the number in the last—</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: Historically, as in particularly in the last two or three years, the numbers have been quite high. However, in the last 12 months there has been quite a noticeable drop in those complaints. We think because of increased movement of people from detention into community settlement and that has had what we believe is a very noticeable impact on the number of complaints.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: It sounds to me as though you are talking there about the detention of asylum seekers or people coming to Australia. I am also interested in the broader issue of concerns, complaints or grievances raised by people within either mental health institutions or criminal justice institutions in Australia. Do you receive complaints from people in those institutions?</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: We do receive some complaints, but I do not have the numbers or proportion of those relative to other kinds of complaints from detention. I think it is relatively small.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Can I ask you to take on notice that sort of data for the last two years—</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: I will certainly take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: And I would like to see whether there has been an increase or a drop.</p>	L&C 10 16/10/2012
3	AG	AHRC	Wright	Immigration	<p>Senator WRIGHT: Does the commission have dedicated staff who conduct these</p>	L&C 10

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				detention inspections	<p>sorts of inspections or reviews in relation to detention?</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: I would not say that they are dedicated staff, but we have used some of the same officers to undertake those monitoring visits.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Would you be able to provide information to me—I presume it would have to be on notice—about the total annual cost to the commission of carrying out those particular functions, those visits and that monitoring?</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: I would be pleased to provide that on notice.</p>	16/10/2012
4	AG	AHRC	Wright	Human Rights Framework – community education and engagement	<p>Senator WRIGHT: ... Under the Australian government's human rights framework the Australian Human Rights Commission received funding over four years from 2010 to 2014 to expand community education and engagement. First of all, how much funding did the commission receive to undertake this role?</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: I am afraid I do not know the answer to that question. I will have to take it on notice.</p>	L&C 11 16/10/2012
5	AG	AHRC	Wright	National School Curriculum – AHRC recommendations	<p>Senator WRIGHT: Has the commission been formally involved in the drafting of the national school curriculum?</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: Yes, we have, through our officer dedicated to that task. She has been strongly engaged with us. She is a professional in the area and has been very actively engaged.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: What specific recommendations has the commission made in relation to human rights education in the national school curriculum?</p> <p>Prof. Triggs: From memory, and from reading her most recent document in relation to this, I think she has been working much harder on building modules for education which will be integrated into different subjects—so that it is not taken as a standalone subject but something which can be slotted into the curriculum. Beyond that I cannot speak more precisely as to exactly what has been proposed. But, again, I can take that on notice and provided you with that information. We have made submissions in relation to all subject areas, but we can certainly provide you with much more focused information that.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Thank you. I would appreciate that.</p>	L&C 11 16/10/2012
6	AG	AHRC	Heffernan	Female genital mutilation	<p>Senator HEFFERNAN: Can I just ask what the attitude of the Sex Discrimination Commissioner is and perhaps you, Professor Triggs. I have struck a couple of cases of young women who have been sent back home to their parents' original country of birth to be circumcised because, as you know, it is illegal here. We know that in some of those countries—and I have got the Parliamentary Library to do the research for me—80 per cent of the girls are circumcised or trimmed when they reach puberty. Why do we not do something about it and what is the attitude of the Sex Discrimination Commissioner to the fact that it seems to just go by and that we</p>	L&C 15 16/10/2012

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					<p>do not seem to care?</p> <p>Ms Broderick: Firstly, around so-called FGM—female genital mutilation or cutting—there is no question that, in Australia, that would be violence against women. Of course, in certain cultures, as you properly refer to, it is a strongly embedded social norm.</p> <p>Senator HEFFERNAN: But does that make it—</p> <p>Ms Broderick: No, I am not defending it at all. All I am saying is that, in Australia, there are a number of things. We have done some work with African communities and other communities around education, firstly, but also around ensuring that this practice—</p> <p>Senator HEFFERNAN: What is the work that we have done? Could you take that on notice?</p> <p>Ms Broderick: Yes, I will take it on notice. There have been some developments in that area, as well as looking at some legal developments. I do not have that information to hand, but I will take that question on notice.</p> <p>Senator HEFFERNAN: We do not seem to take up that practice here. There are young ladies here who are being sent back to be done. Being a bushie, I use rather cruder language, which I will not here but, even to the point where, for young ladies, who in some countries do not deserve an education can be shot at the bus stop coming home from school, why is there not an outrage from people like you?</p> <p>Ms Broderick: There is outrage from people like me.</p> <p>Senator HEFFERNAN: I have not seen it.</p> <p>Ms Broderick: In a number of forums—</p> <p>Senator HEFFERNAN: Could you take on notice how you reacted?</p> <p>Ms Broderick: Of course, we will take it on notice.</p>	
7	AG	ALRC	Humphries	Reductions in printing and advertising costs	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: What is the extent of the savings that you are projecting to make this financial year from both not printing reports and not advertising in the print media? Can you give me those figures?</p> <p>Ms Wynn: I will have to take those on notice.</p>	L&C 24 16/10/2012
8	MHAJ	ACC	Wright	Firearms	<p>Senator WRIGHT: ... I am interested to know how many hand guns are registered in Australia and how many of those are semiautomatic?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: I could do some quick arithmetic on the figures that I just gave you. Of the 2.75 million registered firearms, 90 per cent are long arms so 10 per cent is 275,000 registered hand guns, which would be the deduction from those figures.</p>	L&C 26 16/10/2012

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					<p>Senator WRIGHT: And how many of those are semiautomatics?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: I do not know that the data we have for the assessment breaks it down specifically by semiautomatic. I would need to check that if I can so that I am completely accurate and then get back to the committee. Potentially during the course of this hearing we may be able to provide information on that.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Thank you, I would appreciate that you take it on notice. Can the data be broken down even further to show how many of these hand guns are owned by civilians and how many are owned by the police or other security providers?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: I believe there is the opportunity to further refine the data holdings. Whether that has been done specifically in the context of the national firearms assessment is another issue.</p> <p>The assessment did not go to the specific type of firearms per se but made broad strategic assessments about the market as we knew it based on the data that was available to us.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Can I ask you to take that question on notice? I would be very interested to know that breakdown.</p> <p>Mr Lawler: If it is available we will certainly provide that.</p>	
9	MHAJ	ACC	Wright	Illegal firearms	<p>Senator WRIGHT: Of those 10,000 illegal hand guns, do you have any idea how many of those are thought to be semi-automatic?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: I will have to take that on notice in relation to semi-automatic hand guns.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: I assume that semi-automatic hand guns are the weapons that were likely to be involved in, say, this year's spate of shootings in Sydney, which the community is understandably concerned about.</p> <p>Mr Lawler: I do not know that that is altogether right. Certainly, a combination of hand guns have, I understand, been used. We will have to see if we have data that breaks those down. I do not know whether the assessment specifically went to that point, or whether we have done the work to go through the multitude of records to try to make assessments about that. I am not at all sure that the data will be available.</p>	L&C 27 16/10/2012
10	MHAJ	ACC	Wright	Illegal firearms	<p>Senator WRIGHT: The media release also indicates that a significant proportion of the illegal firearms market consists of weapons that were not registered or surrendered after the 1996 gun buyback. We know that up to 660,000 firearms were surrendered as a result of that buyback. Do you know, or do you have an estimate of, how many firearms were eligible for surrender at that time? I am interested in</p>	L&C 27-28 16/10/2012

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					<p>understanding better the percentage of guns that were eligible that were surrendered at that time.</p> <p>Mr Lawler: This figure might be a little elusive. The reason for that is the data we are relying on is jurisdictional data. My understanding is that there were different licensing regimes in the various jurisdictions in relation to long arms and hand guns, how that was recorded and whether we are able to definitively say at a particular point in time how many weapons were registered. As I understand it there were regimes where a person who was registered could have a number of firearms registered to them based on a licence to a person. For some of those figures to be absolutely accurate may be elusive, but I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Thank you for that. If you could take on notice not only the question I asked, which was the number of weapons which were eligible for surrender at the time, but also an assessment on the basis of those figures of what percentage of the newly prohibited firearms did the buyback scheme succeed in removing from the community. I understand that it is not always going to be a totally accurate figure, but the degree of uncertainty that you have around the figure would be helpful for me to understand as well. This is just so we have a sense of the problem we are looking at.</p> <p>Mr Lawler: If the information is available—that is the only caveat I would put in place here.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Thank you for that.</p>	
11	MHAJ	Program 1.6 CrJD	Wright	Confiscated Assets Account	<p>Senator WRIGHT: How much money has entered the confiscated assets account since the establishment of the task force?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: Again, the ACC does not manage the confiscated assets. The department might be best placed to answer.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Can I ask someone who might be able to answer that? I imagine it would be fairly simple question to answer, to take that on notice.</p> <p>Mr Sheehan: We will be able to answer that at nine o'clock tonight.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Okay.</p>	L&C 29 16/10/2012
12	MHAJ	ACC	Humphries	People smuggling	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Is it possible to measure the proportion of the commission's work that is now going into people smuggling compared with two or three years ago?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: We would be able to document and report on the amount of money expended against the determination under which people smuggling occurs. To give you an idea, a financial year spend as of September 2012 on people smuggling was \$375,377, and that was principally expended through a number of examinations—16</p>	L&C 30 16/10/2012

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					<p>in total—that were conducted.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Would those kinds of expenditure of resources be greater or less than was the case, say, three years ago?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: To be accurate, I would need to take that on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Mr Lawler: There is. In response to one of the questions, I think from Senator Humphries, I indicated that the sum of \$375,377 had been expended by the commission in the financial year up to September 2012 on people smuggling. I would like to correct that. That spend relates to a special operation—the national security impacts from serious and organised crime, special operations, under which people smuggling falls. That is the spend for that particular determination, which includes complex organised technology-enabled crimes, terrorism and some other matters, so it is not that total spend. I want to correct the record on that in case I may have misled the committee.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: So there is other spending by the commission on other aspects of people smuggling, is that what you are saying?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: Under the board-approved determination that I just read out, it includes terrorism and people smuggling. So the total spend, including complex organised technology-enabled crimes, of \$375,000 is not exclusively on people smuggling.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: But outside that determination there is no other spending on people smuggling?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: No.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Okay.</p>	
13	MHAJ	ACC	Crossin	Fraud risk education	<p>CHAIR: Mr Lawler, a report from the ACC and the AIC earlier this year indicated that more than 2½ thousand Australians may have lost more than \$113 million to serious and organised investment fraud in the last five years. Can you tell us what is happening to educate people about the risks of this type of fraud?</p> <p>Mr Lawler: ...One of the things that you may be aware of is that for the first in Australia's history, to my knowledge, there has been a mail-out to every household in Australia. That was a partnership done through the ACC board but with Australia Post as a strong supporter. Commissioners of police, the head of ASIC, Mr Greg Metcalf, myself and Ahmed Fahour from Australia Post jointly co-signed a letter out to residents to alert them to the risk.</p> <p>...</p> <p>CHAIR: Can I take you back to your answer about organised investment fraud. Perhaps I might get you to provide this committee with a copy of that letter you sent to every household so that we have it on our records as a committee. Would that be</p>	L&C 32 16/10/2012

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					all right? Mr Lawler: Certainly.	
14	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	Staffing	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: ... Can I ask about some budget matters, particularly going to staffing establishment of the Customs and Border Protection Service. We have a question that was answered on notice, question No 78, which indicated how the staffing establishment of the service has declined for a number of years, going from 5,746 FTEs in 2007-08 to 5,225 FTEs for last financial year. Do we know what that figure is likely to fall to in 2012-13?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes. During the current financial year, that is 2012-13, we have budgeted for a planned workforce adjustment, a reduction of approximately 190 FTE. We are currently working through the precise details of how that will be broken down. Divisions have been given relevant guidance. They are working to that guidance. Obviously, we are looking wherever possible to achieve that through the natural attrition process.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Just over 5,000 people would be left in the organisation?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I might ask Ms Bridger to add to this answer. The current position is that we would see our FTE, in average staffing level terms, come down to 5,035 at the end of this financial year. How that precisely translates to FTE I might have to take on notice. The budget papers are expressed in both FTE and ASL terms. The figure I have given you is the ASL.</p>	L&C 35 16/10/2012
15	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	Staffing	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: You mentioned that there was a heavy emphasis on boots on the ground in this service. I assume with a higher workload and in most areas a reduction in the number of staff actually available to assist in dealing with those workloads that there would potentially be greater stress on staff. Has there been any increase in reports of stress leave or other stress related indicators within the service?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I see that data periodically, but I just cannot recall it off the top of my head. I might just take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: All right. Would you say that morale was good in Border Protection Command at the moment?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Given the challenges that they face and the heavy load that we are placing on Border Protection Command, I would say that the morale there is very good.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: That is sort of a qualified answer.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Relative to the pressures that probably is true. They are working hard, Senator, and they know that they are doing a vitally important job in terms of protecting our border sovereignty. It is hard work. In any sphere of endeavour when you are working hard and you are tired it can focus the mind. But they are very</p>	L&C 36 16/10/2012

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					<p>resilient and we pay particular attention to the stresses and strains that they face. We will get the answer to you in terms of your previous question on any claims for stress or any instances of stress that they have provided. I would rather give you a fact based answer on that.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Sure. I would appreciate information for, say, the present financial year to date and the last two financial years.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: We will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Thank you.</p>	
16	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	Staff based on Cocos and Christmas Islands	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: ... How many Customs staff are currently based on Cocos Island and Christmas Island?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I might ask my colleague, Deputy CEO Marion Grant, to join me for that question. I will have to check the figure and if it needs to be varied I will do it in the very short period I have before lunch or immediately afterwards, I suspect. We have a dozen or so land based officers at Cocos Island. We do have an Australian Customs vessel, <i>Hervey Bay</i>, there as well with her complement. Ms Kelley will check those figures in a moment. On Christmas Island we have our standing district office. That is there as part of the management of Australia's border at Christmas Island. I might ask Ms Kelley to add to my answer.</p> <p>Ms Kelley: On Cocos Island we currently deploy nine Customs officers on a weekly basis there for land based officers and then there are around 10 marine officers associated with the Customs vessel as well. There are three full-time officers posted to Christmas Island as part of the district office there and we have a suite of acting officers of Customs. So we have up to nine people who can assist them. To ensure that people are able to cope with the workload, we also supplement those people by flying in temporary officers to assist them as required.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Could you take on notice, Ms Kelley, to advise us how many officers there are in each of those categories at the moment on both of those islands and how that compares with the numbers last financial year? Could we also have details of those fly in officers as well and how many of those there were last financial year and how many there have been so far this financial year?</p> <p>Ms Kelley: We can give you the comparison information for Christmas Island but the Cocos Island deployment has been for only this financial year.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Only this financial year?</p> <p>Ms Kelley: Yes, since May.</p>	L&C 36-37 16/10/2012
17	MHAJ	Customs & Border	Humphries	SIEV arrivals on Ashmore Island	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: How many [SIEVs] did you say [had arrived] at Ashmore [Island]?</p>	L&C 37 16/10/2012

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		Protection			<p>Mr Pezzullo: I did not say. I said a number would have gone into Ashmore. I have got it aggregated, so I will have to break it down further if you want to chase the details. The total number in the Ashmore region, which includes the Ashmore islands but also places slightly closer to Western Australia—I presume that would include places like Browse Island, et cetera—is 39. How many of those are in the Ashmore Island area, as opposed to areas closer to WA, I would have to take on notice. But the general number in that vicinity is 39.</p>	
18	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	Shredders	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: That is all I wanted to ask about the boats you are using. I had a question about the purchase of shredders for Mr Pezzullo. I understand from a question that was taken on notice by you at the last estimates that the Customs and Border Protection Service has purchased 118 new shredders in the last 12 months, apparently at a cost of approximately \$5,373 each. That is almost two-thirds of a million dollars spent on shredders. Without being cynical, what possible use could Customs and Border Protection have for that many brand new shredders?</p> <p>...</p> <p>As Customs and Border Protection in the last four or five years has come into the high end of the intelligence community, the national security community and some of the more sensitive law enforcement work we are now involved in, the classification of documents has increased. They have to be disposed of through approved means, and sometimes that includes, after appropriate registration for archives purposes, the destruction of documents through industrial strength or appropriate strength shredders. Whether that explains the totality of that purchase or whether it is a sub-element I will have to clarify.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: I am puzzled because the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, which presumably has at least the same level of requirement to shred documents securely, has been able to purchase shredders ranging in cost from as low as \$353. I do not know whether you have different classifications of shredder depending on the confidentiality of the document.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will have to take the per-unit issue on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: You have 250 shredders in your organisation according to this answer that you provided. In how many physical locations does the Customs and Border Protection Service have offices where you would need a shredder? Presumably you do not have shredders on boats and things like that—you would have them in offices somewhere.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I would not jump to any conclusions about where the shredders are. Some of them might well be in field locations, although I suspect they would tend to be in office locations. Our principal national headquarters is in Canberra, and that is</p>	L&C 39-41 16/10/2012

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					<p>where most of the highly secure documentation I described earlier is held. As to where these shredders are located and how many are in Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne or in regional offices et cetera, I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: But how many offices do you have? How many offices does the service have around the country?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Each capital city has an office. There is the national headquarters in Sydney and then there are 29 regional and district offices outside of the main capitals. There are the capital cities, in each of which there is normally a Customs house where the regional staff work. Then there are locations such as airports, seaports and the mail centres where our deployed staff are, and then there are 29 district offices outside those capital cities and large urban locations.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: It sounds like you have got multiple shredders in most or a large number of those locations.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I do not know where they are. I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Okay.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Could you please take on notice to tell us where each of those 250 shredders are.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: I do not need to know what floor and building they are in. If there are five in the Sydney office, just say five in Sydney.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: We will provide what we can.</p>	
19	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	SIEV arrivals	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Just finally, then, is the service aware of any evidence, say, since the beginning of this calendar year, of boats having set out from Indonesia but not having reached Australia's waters or having failed to reach Australia's mainland?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes, we are aware of some cases that fit that description. In several of those cases, and I just want to answer this fairly carefully and will probably therefore decide to take the detail on notice, we hold grave fears for what has happened to those vessels.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: How many vessels are we talking about?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: They would be in the single digits, but what I would prefer to do is just very carefully work my way through with other agencies that assist us with this analysis and assessment, and give you a considered answer on notice.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: All right, thank you.</p>	L&C 46 16/10/2012
20	MHAJ	Customs &	Furner	Illegally	<p>Senator FURNER: ... Can I firstly take you to the illicit firearms importations. In particular, on 12 April this year New South Wales Police were involved in a seizure</p>	L&C 46

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		Border Protection		imported firearms	<p>of some weapons. I understand Customs was involved in the same exercise, concerning some illegal imported weapons. What type of weapons were seized and when were they illegally imported into Australia?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Ms Kelley: Senator, what date did you say?</p> <p>Senator FURNER: The 12th of April this year.</p> <p>Ms Kelley: I do not think it is that Maxworthy operation, and I am sorry but I do not have the detail around that 12 March job, so we might have to provide you with that information on notice.</p> <p>Senator FURNER: If you could take that on notice.</p>	16/10/2012
21	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Furner	Undeclared firearms in air cargo	<p>Senator FURNER: Could you inform the committee of how many detections of undeclared firearms in air cargo Customs made in 2011-12?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I might ask Mr Wall to speak to those matters. Ms Kelley looks after post-border investigations and Mr Wall deals with our intelligence matters.</p> <p>Mr Wall: From July 2011 to July 2012, we detected 1,344 undeclared firearms, firearms parts, accessories and magazines across all streams. That included 76 firearms, which of course is made up of handguns, rifles and shotguns; 748 conventional firearm magazines—the magazines are also for handguns, rifles and shotguns—and 520 items consisting of various parts and accessories. I can also say, for the new financial year up until 30 August, we have detected 146, comprised of eight firearms—the same sort of composition as I previously outlined; 36 conventional firearm magazines and 102 items consisting of various parts and accessories.</p> <p>Senator FURNER: How do the detections of 2011-12 compare with the period, for instance, in 2007-08, if you have those figures handy?</p> <p>Mr Wall: I only have from 2008-09.</p> <p>Senator FURNER: Okay, I will put that on notice.</p>	L&C 47 16/10/2012
22	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Furner	International mail detections	<p>Senator FURNER: I want to move to the international mail detections. I would like you to explain to the committee how many detections were made in 2007-08 as opposed to 2011-12.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Detections in terms of drugs?</p> <p>Senator FURNER: Overall detections in mail.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will ask Mr Wall to answer as best he can. We may need a moment while we go from, if you like, a commodity view of what we find to a sectoral view.</p> <p>Mr Wall: These are the only stats that I have available at the moment. Since the</p>	L&C 48 16/10/2012

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					<p>introduction of our risk based approach to inspection of international mail, our detections of prohibited goods have actually increased by 83 per cent. But that is our sort of cross-stream improvement stat.</p> <p>I might take you, if you like, to another layer of granularity to give you a sense of the environment and volumes. In 2011-12 we had over 64 million mail articles—parcels, registered mail and express mail service parcels—imported into Australia. This was in addition to over 118 million letters and almost 183 million postal articles. Australia Post is projecting volume growth in that area of 15 to 18 per cent over the next three years. One of the limitations we have in that space is that we do not currently have advanced electronic reporting for our risk assessment process. So everything has to be done in real time. The intervention strategy that I mentioned earlier that has led to the 83 per cent increase across the streams started back in July 2009. If you are looking for a more detailed break-up we can certainly take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator FURNER: Yes, if you could take that on notice. So the 83 per cent increase is from 2009?</p> <p>Mr Wall: Correct; since then.</p>	
23	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	ACV <i>Hervey Bay</i>	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Chair, if I could ask just a few extra questions, I am sorry, about the ACV <i>Hervey Bay</i>. When was it first stationed at the Cocos Islands?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I might just ask Admiral Johnston to join me. It has been there for some three months or so. I want to give you a more precise answer to that and I will be able to in a moment.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Sure.</p> <p>Rear Adm. Johnston: I believe the date is 23 July but I will need to check that.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Sure.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Do we have to enhance facilities on Cocos Islands in order to allow that asset to be based there?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Subject to being advised to the contrary, we position the vessel there essentially because they are self-sustaining. Obviously we are rotating the crew; it has not been the same crew there for the best part of three months. They are supported to some extent from the land but they are essentially self-contained. If I need to modify that I will come back to you, Senator.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: All right, but if there are any additional costs associated with basing the boat there, could I have you tell us what they are on notice.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will take that on notice.</p>	L&C 49-50 16/10/2012

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					<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Thank you. In that period since 23 July—whatever the date is—how many boats has the <i>Hervey Bay</i> intercepted or assisted?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: In the calendar year, as I think I said earlier, some 53 vessels have arrived at Cocos. I would say well over half-a significant majority of those-have arrived in the last three months. I will just have to get the breakdown of how many have arrived since <i>Hervey Bay</i> arrived and how many of those <i>Hervey Bay</i> intercepted. Some of them are able to be intercepted by other vessels that we have there—the inshore vessels I mentioned earlier. We might just take the detail of that on notice. But it would be a subset of the 53.</p>	
24	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	SIEV interceptions	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: ... Have any Customs vessels intercepted or assisted boats arriving from Sri Lanka outside our territorial waters? If so, how many?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: We would not intercept vessels outside of the Australian contiguous zone. It is not practised and indeed it is not consistent with our international legal obligations to do so. We might have rendered assistance at the request of the master and, more often than not, under AMSA tasking, outside of the contiguous zone. I might see if the admiral has got any details on that.</p> <p>Rear Adm. Johnston: I do not have the exact numbers but in the two circumstances as Mr Pezzullo described, vessels from Sri Lanka proceed both to Cocos (Keeling) Island and Christmas Island. We do intercept inside the contiguous zone in both locations but also in both locations we have rendered assistance outside of Australian waters acting in support of AMSA.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Could you take on notice how many times that has occurred both inside and outside contiguous waters?</p>	L&C 50 16/10/2012
25	MHAJ	AFP	Milne	Sri Lankan police – refugee disruption activities	<p>Senator MILNE: Are the Sri Lankan police involved in disruption activities prior to refugees leaving?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: I will take that on notice.</p>	L&C 52 16/10/2012
26	AG	Program 1.6 NSLPD	Ludlam	Telecommunications Interception working group	<p>Mr Gaughan: We have been involved from the outset in relation to this particular issue, working with the Attorney-General's Department and other Commonwealth agencies, in relation to preparing the discussion paper that was put forward before the committee. Obviously, as a user of the telecommunications interception act, we have a strong interest in where this goes. There has been a number of different meanings convened over the period of time before this paper went forward. There is working group level, where the people are talking about exactly the content of a proposed bill, and there are also more senior discussions in relation to some of the strategic issues that are currently before that committee.</p> <p>...</p>	L&C 58, 62-63 16/10/2012

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					<p>Senator LUDLAM: Can you provide for us an idea of the working group when it was active; the membership and the duration that it worked for?</p> <p>Mrs Smith: It was essentially the Attorney-General's Department, the AFP, the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy—</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: You can put this in writing if you would prefer.</p> <p>Mrs Smith: Would you prefer us to take it on notice?</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: We will take it on notice and make sure we get the names right.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Particularly on the DBCDE about what officer they were represented by or at what level they were represented. What about the Privacy Commissioner?</p> <p>Mrs Smith: We have certainly consulted the Privacy Commissioner on aspects.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: Were they on the working group?</p> <p>Mrs Smith: I am not sure. We will take that matter on notice.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: You cannot recall if they were involved?</p> <p>Mrs Smith: It was some time ago because we have moved into the PJCIS phase now. I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator LUDLAM: I am interested to know—and I think you have undertaken to take this on notice—the membership of the working group, where it was headquartered or where its secretariat was and for how long it worked.</p>	
27	MHAJ	AFP	Rhiannon	MOU on combatting transnational crime	<p>Senator RHIANNON: ... The other document that I am after is the MOU on combating transnational crime and developing police cooperation between the Australian Federal Police and the Sri Lanka police service. It is also a 2009 document, dated May.</p> <p>Mr Colvin: That does sound like a document that would be ours. In fact, I think I may have been the signatory to that document. We would have to check as to whether it can be made publicly available. I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Thank you.</p>	L&C 65 16/10/2012
28	MHAJ	AFP	Xenophon	Balibo Five	<p>Senator XENOPHON: In answers to questions that Senator Madigan put to you, that some \$470,000 was spent on this [Balibo Five] matter, can you on notice provide how much money, to date, has been spent on this investigation?</p>	L&C 69 16/10/2012
29	MHAJ	Program 1.6 ICCD	Xenophon	Balibo Five	<p>Senator XENOPHON: Could you provide on notice a copy of those terms of that mutual assistance agreement?</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: Well, I can certainly provide you on notice with the requirements of mutual assistance treaties and with our arrangements with Indonesia, yes, I can do that.</p>	L&C 70 16/10/2012

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					Senator XENOPHON: I would be grateful for that.	
30	MHAJ	AFP	Xenophon	RBA Securrency	<p>Senator XENOPHON: Could you take on notice the date upon which ASIC told the AFP that they were not interested in investigating this [RBA Securrency] matter further and whether the AFP has a view as to whether the time frame of that response would have given ASIC a reasonable opportunity to adequately go through the material, which I understand was quite considerable?</p> <p>Mr Negus: We can take that on notice, but it is presumptuous for us to try to give a comment on whether ASIC have done things in a timely fashion. I do not think we could possibly answer that.</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: Finally, did ASIC provide the AFP with any advice as to why it was not investigating?</p> <p>Mr Negus: We will come back to you on notice.</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: Finally, with the Chair's indulgence: did the AFP consider getting special dispensation from the Attorney-General to investigate corporate offences?</p> <p>Mr Negus: We will cover that on notice as well and the response.</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: And, if yes, why.</p> <p>Mr Negus: Yes.</p>	L&C 71 16/10/2012
31	MHAJ	AFP	Humphries	Maritime vessels provided to Indonesia	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: I want to ask just quickly about the three maritime vessels that have been provided to Indonesia to assist with border protection activities. When were the vessels provided?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: They were provided in December 2011.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: So they commenced service immediately in Indonesia?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: I believe so, yes. There may have been a short delay but it was effectively immediately.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: How much did they cost?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: We were allocated \$7.1 million under an initiative by government to build and purchase these vessels. Some of that was also operating costs for the vessels. So, it was \$7.1 million in total. I would have to back and check exactly what each vessel cost to build.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: If you could take that on notice: how much they cost. Were they built in Australia?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: They were built by an Australian company. From memory, they were built in Singapore.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Right. If I could have the specifications for them as well—</p>	L&C 72-73 16/10/2012

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					<p>size, displacement, things like that. In what sea states can they operate?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: I would have to check that. They can operate out for about 20 nautical miles but I am not sure what their sea state is.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Twenty nautical miles?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: Approximately, yes.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: So they are quite small vessels. They are not meant for sort of crossing the Timor Sea.</p> <p>Mr Colvin: That is right. They are 16 metre coastal vessels, if you like. Therefore, they are patrolling what a police force would normally patrol. They are not a coastguard and they are certainly not a navy vessel.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Do you know what sort of capacity they have to carry passengers?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: We would know that but I do not personally know it. I will take that on notice</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: You mentioned that there was also money there for sustainment of the vessels. Is that just for their operation or is it for training of personnel? What does that cover?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: It was all of the above. There was some training that we provided to the crew of these vessels. There were also agreements in the contracts about maintenance, that some would be the responsibility of the Australian government, and then there would be a point at which they would be handed over totally to the Indonesian government. There were also funds in relation to ongoing costs such as fuel et cetera. That all has a sunset clause on it. Obviously, we will not be providing that assistance ad infinitum.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: If you could, please let me know when the sunset clause cuts in, as to when it finishes or has finished.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Great, thank you. Just a couple of more questions: do the vessels have geotracking capacity?</p> <p>Mr Colvin: I will take that on notice.</p>	
32	AG	AGS	Brandis	Ashby v Commonwealth and Slipper	<p>Senator BRANDIS: What about the Australian Government Solicitor? Were they in the Attorney-General's office at that conference on 9 June?</p> <p>Mr Fredericks: I cannot recall that.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Do you remember, Mr Govey?</p> <p>Mr Govey: I do not have the answer to that.</p>	L&C 81-82 16/10/2012

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					<p>Senator BRANDIS: You might ask Mr O'Donovan.</p> <p>Mr Govey: We are not in a position to provide that information.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Why not? Don't you know?</p> <p>Mr Govey: No, we do not know. We will take it on notice if that would help.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Please do take that on notice.</p>	
33	AG	Program 1.3 CLD	Brandis	Ashby v Commonwealth and Slipper	<p>Senator BRANDIS: You have told us that the Attorney-General was part of the conference on 9 June, which is four days before the abuse-of-process and the relief-of-the-IMPLIED-undertaking applications were filed and she was present again at the conference on 13 June, which is the date on which those two applications were filed. So, may we take it that when Ms Roxon talks about having been briefed on the text messages prior to the applications being filed, that must have happened at the conference on 9 June? Ms Roxon has said she was briefed about it. This was the only conference before the filing of the applications that you have told me she participated in, so may we take it that that was part of the business of the 9 June conference?</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: We could take it on notice.</p>	L&C 85 16/10/2012
34	AG	AGS	Fierravanti-Wells	AGS timesheets	<p>Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS: You could put this to rest by producing to us copies of those timesheets, which would indicate the time that was spent, the level of officer undertaking the task. That should put it to bed. I would have thought that if your officers were doing their job and doing their job properly your timesheets would demonstrate precisely the amount of work that went in at this time, which would answer in another way Senator Brandis's question about whether all that material was considered. You did, after all, tell us you had 17 lawyers on this case. One assumed they plus the barristers all got together and read the necessary text messages. I think those document should be produced.</p> <p>Senator Ludwig: You are entitled to ask a question and you are entitled to—</p> <p>Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS: Perhaps Mr Govey will tell us whether he is prepared to release them.</p> <p>CHAIR: Senator Fierravanti-Wells, what documents are you specifically seeking?</p> <p>Senator Ludwig: It seems to be a broad question. I would not mind if it was specific.</p> <p>CHAIR: That is why I am asking what specific documents are you referring to.</p> <p>Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS: Mr Govey knows precisely what I am referring to, and that is the timesheets that all those 17 lawyers would have been keeping in relation to reading all that material. If I was reading that material I would be billing that time to the Attorney-General's Department, which is what all your lawyers</p>	L&C 87 16/10/2012

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					<p>probably would be doing. So if they did spend their time reading it they probably charged for it.</p> <p>Mr Govey: I imagine that would be correct—</p> <p>Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS: Thank you, Mr Govey.</p> <p>Mr Govey: and we have already agreed to take it on notice.</p>	
35	AG	Program 1.3 CLD	Brandis	Ashby v Commonwealth and Slipper	<p>Senator BRANDIS: Let me ask again: were the instructions to bring the application to summarily determine Mr Ashby's application confirmed in writing? If so, by whom?</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: I will have to take that on notice. I do not have the information, actually.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Do you not know whether—</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: No, I do not know, Senator. That is why I am taking it on notice.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Mr Govey, the Australian Government Solicitor had the conduct of the proceedings. You are familiar with the principle of practice, to which I have referred, that one does not make an application of this kind without explicit instructions. Did the Australian Government Solicitor, on this occasion, observe that principle?</p> <p>Mr Govey: I would need to take that on notice, Senator.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Mr Govey: I was responding to your specific request about whether I knew the precise details about this so-called correspondence, and I have no knowledge about that so I would need to take it on notice.</p>	L&C 94-95 16/10/2012
36	AG	Program 1.3 CLD	Brandis	Ashby v Commonwealth and Slipper	<p>Senator BRANDIS: But, once the dispute has been resolved by a subsequent settlement, the history of earlier offers is of historical interest only; it cannot prejudice the party. So, Mr Wilkins, the first offer—the offer on 13 June—was not an offer for the payment of any money at all to Mr Ashby?</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: I am not sure; I have not read it.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: It seems to be right there. So, Madam Chair, if we can have another—</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: That seems to be correct.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Correct; all right. Was the offer of 13 June an offer based on counsel's advice or advice from the AGS or from both?</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: It was based on advice, yes.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: From counsel, the AGS or both?</p>	L&C 100 16/10/2012

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					<p>Mr Wilkins: I do not know, Senator.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Mr Damien O'Donovan, sitting behind you, I am sure would know. Perhaps you could ask him.</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: I will have to take it on notice, Senator.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: All right. The offer of 5 September was the \$15,000 offer. Was that based on counsel's advice?</p> <p>Mr Wilkins: We will take it on notice, Senator.</p>	
37	AG	ASIO	Bernardi	Huawei	<p>Senator BERNARDI: Are you able to tell me on what date ASIO provided its advice to the Australian government that Huawei should not participate in the National Broadband Network?</p> <p>Mr Irvine: I am not going to comment on that question in the way that you have phrased it. Advice that we provided to the government on the issue was some considerable time ago, but I am not going to say whether it was 'should' or 'should not'.</p> <p>Senator BERNARDI: Can you give me the date when ASIO provided the advice to the government about—</p> <p>Mr Irvine: I will have to take that on notice, and it is probably not a single date.</p> <p>Senator BERNARDI: Would you be able to advise me—you may want to take this on notice as well—whether this advice was provided after Huawei appointed a local Australian board of directors, which I believe was in June 2011?</p> <p>Mr Irvine: I will need to check that.</p>	L&C 104 16/10/2012
38	AG	ASIO	Hanson-Young	Adverse security assessments	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: ...Mr Irvine, nice to see you. Firstly could you tell me how many IMAs currently have adverse security assessments?</p> <p>Mr Irvine: The number of people—both IMAs and non-IMAs—in detention due to an adverse security assessment is currently 56. There are another eight people who have been given adverse security assessments who have already been settled in third countries.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So they are not in immigration detention?</p> <p>Mr Irvine: They are not in immigration detention. I do not believe they are in Australia at all. Of that 56, fifty-five are irregular maritime arrivals; one is not.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: What is the status of the person who is not an IMA? Are they a compliance case?</p> <p>Mr Irvine: I would have to take that on notice, because I am not quite sure what that case is.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: If you could, just for clarification. Fifty-five was the</p>	L&C 107 16/10/2012

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					<p>number we were given by the department for IMAs. If you could take that on notice so we could clarify. Do you know how long that person has been given an adverse security assessment?</p> <p>Mr Irvine: I am not familiar with the details of that case. I would need to provide that information on notice.</p>	
39	AG	OAIC	Brandis	FOI applications	<p>Senator BRANDIS: Professor McMillan, what is the average length of time from filing to final decision of FOI applications? Do you deal with this by calendar years or financial years?</p> <p>Prof. McMillan: There is a table that is set out in the annual report that was tabled last week. It shows that 88 per cent of FOI requests to government agencies, or 24½ thousand requests, are decided within the applicable statutory time frame, which can be—</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: That is not what I am asking you, though. I am asking what the average length of time was from the filing of the request to the final determination of the request for FOI applications in each of the financial years, assuming you do it on a financial year basis, 2011-12, 2010-11 and 2009-10. Can you tell me that?</p> <p>Prof. McMillan: I will take that on notice. I think the answer might be that those figures are not available. That sort of figure has not been prepared. At the moment, the reporting framework for agencies to report is whether they have dealt with a request within the applicable statutory time period, which is presumptively 30 days but can be more with authorised extensions, or whether the request is taken as being decided more than 30 days outside the applicable time frame, more than 60 days outside or more than 90 days outside.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: That is fine, though the request I made of you is an elementary statistic: the average length of time it takes to deal with a request.</p> <p>Prof. McMillan: It requires computation across 250 government agencies, Senator.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: You are in the freedom of information business, Professor McMillan. So, if we cannot trust you to provide us with information about how free information is, who can we trust?</p> <p>Prof. McMillan: The annual report contains a substantial amount of information, Senator, but, as you would be aware, to existing documents the act does not require the preparation of information that is not currently available—</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Well, that is the information that I am requesting and you have taken that on notice.</p> <p>Prof. McMillan: I have taken it on notice.</p>	L&C 116 16/10/2012

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40	AG	CDPP	Wright	David Hicks proceeds of crime matter	<p>Senator WRIGHT: At what time was the evidence you referred to filed by Mr Hicks's legal representatives? When was that filed?</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: We had been put on notice of the nature of the challenge in the voir dire, but from memory—and I could take this on notice, if you like, to give you more detail—is that we were provided with initially unsigned documents between January and July 2012.</p>	L&C 118 16/10/2012
41	AG	CDPP	Wright	David Hicks proceeds of crime matter	<p>Senator WRIGHT: Finally, please provide the total cost of legal fees incurred by the Australian government in relation to the proceeds of crime case against David Hicks.</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: Are you talking about the direct legal costs? There would be a lot of other investigation costs et cetera. I could take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: I appreciate that you probably will need to take that on notice; I would like that. But I think the direct and the indirect costs would be of interest to me and to many others.</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: The director would be aware of the costs to the office in terms of legal costs. The indirect cost to the wider Australian government might be a separate issue entirely.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Are you in a position to tell me the direct legal costs that were incurred in that case?</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: It might be best for me to take it on notice. I will be much more easily able to ascertain those costs for you than I will be the indirect costs that might be associated with the entire litigation.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Are you in a position to provide that now? I appreciate that you would need to take the indirect costs on notice, but are you in a position to give any sense of the direct costs at this point?</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: I can tell you, on the note that has just been brought to my attention, the CDPP spent approximately \$165,618 on counsel and administration costs.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: I ask you to take notice the other part of the question.</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: The wider costs: I think we might need some further assistance from other agencies in relation to those.</p> <p>Senator WRIGHT: Thank you.</p>	L&C 119 16/10/2012
42	AG	CDPP	Brandis	David Hicks proceeds of crime matter	<p>Mr Jolliffe: Senator, I can indicate that there was evidentiary material filed by several people in support of Mr Hicks' case.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: But did that go to any issue other than the renunciation by Hicks of his admission?</p>	L&C 120 16/10/2012

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					<p>Mr Jolliffe: It went to issues that were covered by section 84—the circumstances—</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: That begs the question, with respect, because you have said that you made your decision because you were not satisfied, that you thought section 84 might have presented a hurdle to you that was too great. But what I want to know is the process of reasoning by which you arrived at that conclusion. Respecting the undertaking that you have mentioned, I want to know—it does not matter how many different witnesses there were, and I am not going to ask you who they were—if there was any proposition upon which you relied, other than the bare fact that Hicks had withdrawn or renounced his admission of guilt.</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: Essentially what you are asking me is: was it nothing more than just a mere denial.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Effectively, yes.</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: I appreciate your issue on that, Senator. I am concerned about the implied undertaking. Can I take that on notice?</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: I do not really see why you would need to, because nothing in my question could—I would submit to you, with respect—be reasonably interpreted as asking you to go beyond your implied undertaking. If the answer to your question would be yes, there were other grounds, there was other evidence beyond the mere renunciation of the admission, I have told you, respecting the undertaking, that I will not pursue that. I would just be satisfied that it was not the bare renunciation of the admission. If you told me that no, there was no other evidence; it was merely the renunciation of the admission, then I would have a problem.</p> <p>Mr Jolliffe: Can I just indicate that I would like to take that on notice so that I can consider the propositions that you put.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: All right.</p>	
43	AG	Program 1.3 SID	Brandis	Schedule of grants	<p>Senator BRANDIS: I am looking at the schedule of grants made from the Attorney-General's office in the current financial year, which is being supplied to the Senate under the continuing order of the Senate. That is from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013. You are familiar with the document I am referring to.</p> <p>Ms Bailey: I do not have it with me.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: There you are: have a look at it. I just want to know one thing, please—and you may have to take this on notice—if you glance through the document, you will see there are numerous instances of programs entitled 'financial assistance towards legal costs and related expenses.' Against that entry, we see the words 'name omitted for privacy reasons'. Apart from the amount, there is no indication whatsoever of the purpose of the grant other than it is towards legal costs.</p>	L&C 121 16/10/2012

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					<p>What I would like to know, please, is of all the items in the schedule so described, how many relate to asylum seeker matters, the provision of legal costs towards asylum seekers?</p> <p>Mr Duggan: I would prefer to take that question on notice, if I may. Some of them will indeed relate to that but I cannot give you that answer now.</p>	
44	AG	Program 1.3 SID	Wright	Commonwealth Legal Aid Funding	<p>Senator WRIGHT: I am going to ask you to take on notice questions about the annual amount of Commonwealth funding provided to legal aid services over the past five years with a breakdown for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander legal services, community legal centres and family violence prevention legal services, and by state and territory.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you please provide details of the total annual amount of Commonwealth funding provided to legal aid services over the past five years. 2. Can you please also provide details of the total annual amount of Commonwealth funding provided over the last five years to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services; b) Community Legal Centres; and c) Family Violence Prevention Legal Services. 3. Can you also provide a State and Territory breakdown of the funding provided to Legal Assistance Services, ATSILs, CLCs and FVPLS. 4. The Commonwealth government has apparently spent \$1.3billion in funding for legal assistance services. Can you please provide a breakdown of how this money has been or will be spent – i.e. how much has been spent over the past 5 years and how much will be spent over forward estimates. 5. Can you also provide details of the services that are receiving these funds, for example, how much is going to legal aid services and how much is going to Community Legal Centres. 	L&C 121 16/10/2012 and written
45	AG	Program 1.3 CLD	Brandis	Compliance with Legal Services Directions	<p>Senator BRANDIS: In respect of compliance with the legal services directions, how many reports of noncompliance with the legal services directions were made in 2011-12?</p> <p>Mr Minogue: It depends on how you take the figures. So I might in part take it on notice but also give you the figures that we have. In 2011-12 there were 95 reviews opened.</p> <p>We finalised 60 of those reviews: 22 of those related to agencies that were late in</p>	L&C 126 16/10/2012

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					<p>reporting legal services expenditure, along the lines we discussed previously—the importance of that; a number of agencies in relation to compliance certificates; two breaches of agencies failing to adhere to obligations in relation to seeking constitutional law advice from the appropriate sources; and one model litigant issue.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: What was that case?</p> <p>Mr Minogue: I will not disclose the name because some of these things that are raised with us are on the basis that they are confidential or otherwise and I do not know whether this one was raised on a confidential basis.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Would you take that on notice. I think we are entitled to know if there was a breach of the model litigant obligations and what the case was.</p> <p>Mr Minogue: Yes.</p>	
46	AG	Program 1.3 CLD	Brandis	Multi-User List applications	<p>Senator BRANDIS: Since the beginning of the 2011-12 financial year, how many new applications have been received to join the multi-user list?</p> <p>Mr Minogue: In terms of numbers of applications, I am not sure that I have that. There were 66 firms in the first round of applications, which closed in time for commencement in July. We are just going through the process of assessing the second round of applications. So we are evaluating those.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: How many are on the second round?</p> <p>Mr Minogue: I do not think I have the number of applications. We would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: That is fine. Presumably, it is fewer than the 66 in the initial round.</p> <p>Mr Minogue: The number I have in my head is fewer, but I am not sure that that is right. I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Thank you.</p>	L&C 127 16/10/2012
47	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Cash	SIEVs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you provide a breakdown of the number of SIEVs and IMAs by province of embarkation in Indonesia for 2011/12, 2010/11 and 2009/10? 2. Can you provide a breakdown of the number of SIEVs and IMAs by province of embarkation in Sri Lanka for 2011/12, 2010/11 and 2009/10? 	Written
48	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Brandis	Passenger Movement Charge	<p>In relation to the Passenger Movement Charge</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In 2008 when the Passenger Movement Charge was increased, 	Written

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					<p>it was done so to cover the cost of aviation security measures.</p> <p>2. Following a Senate Committee Inquiry held on 26 May 2008, Community Policing at airports was named as an aviation security measure covered by the PMC increase.</p> <p>3. Can you please advise how much revenue has been raised for community policing at airports via the PMC increase from 2008?</p> <p>4. Since the PMC was introduced, could you please provide a breakdown of what the revenue was used for in each financial year?</p>	
49	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Brandis	Disposal of asylum seeker vessels	<p>In relation to the disposal of asylum seeker vessels:</p> <p>1. How does Border Protection Command dispose of asylum seeker boats arriving in Australian waters?</p> <p>2. If they are destroyed who destroys them and where are they destroyed?</p> <p>3. When are destroyed what procedures are followed? [disposal of fuel, equipment, AQIS intervention and ALL government agency approvals required]</p> <p>4. What are the appropriate legislative provisions governing the disposal of boats?</p> <p>5. What is the total cost of disposing of the boats [all components]?</p> <p>6. What is the total cost to Customs for the protection of Australia's northern waters</p>	Written
50	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Brandis	Risk assessment of vessels	<p>Referring to Question on notice number 77 from 2012-13 Budget Estimates regarding vessel inspections for all vessels entering Australia lawfully:</p> <p>The answer said that vessels arriving in Australia are risk assessed.</p> <p>“Since 2009-10 the target for vessel boarding has been 6,450 vessels per year. In 2009-10 8,918 vessels were boarded, in 2010-11 7,130 vessels were boarded and in 2011-12 (to the end of May) 6,532 vessels</p>	Written

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					were boarded.” 1. For each year how many vessels entered Australia? What percentage of vessels are inspected per year?	
51	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Brandis	Illicit tobacco market	Referring to an article in the Sunday Telegraph on 30.9.12 by Renee Viellaris <i>“Tobacco gangs cash in”</i> . The article says: <i>“Viewed as high-return, low-risk alternative to hard drugs, bootleggers are using shipping containers and airline crews to smuggle packaged and loose tobacco. Customs documents released under Freedom of Information have labelled it “an issue of growing significance.”</i> 1. Could you please explain what exactly ‘ <i>an issue of growing significance</i> ’ means to Customs? 2. What is the estimated value of the illicit tobacco market according to Customs?	Written
52	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Brandis	Anti-people smuggling campaigns	1. Since 2008, how many anti-people smuggling, or illegal boat arrival deterrent campaigns has Customs run? Where was the campaign run? What was the nature of the campaign? What was the duration of each campaign and how much did each cost? 2. Does this include boat crew campaigns or were those purely targeting those that wish seek asylum in Australia and come via a boat?	Written
53	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Brandis	Illegal firearms	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. 1. Has the Government offered any additional resources to Customs to stop illegal weapons, specifically firearms from coming through air or sea cargo consignments?	Written

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Can you provide an update of the amount of sea and air cargo consignments that are coming into the country? 3. What percentage are being examined and physically inspected? 	
54	AG	ASIO	Brandis	Staffing	<p>In relation to ASIO's staffing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Will ASIO meet the number of 1860 full-time staff as recommended by the Review of ASIO Resourcing, conducted in 2005 by the 2012-13 budget cycle? If not, why? 2. What impact will the \$69.2 million in net savings target, imposed by the Government, have on ASIO's capabilities? 3. Has staff growth in the organisation been deferred indefinitely? 4. In terms of international engagement, how drastic was the reduction in ASIO's scope, as a result of budgetary pressures? 	Written
55	AG	ASIO	Brandis	New building	When is construction of the new central headquarters expected to be completed?	Written
56	AG	ASIO	Brandis	Security assessments	<p>In relation to ASIO's security assessment of refugees:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. By how much has the number of asylum seekers appraised as security risked increased over the past year? 2. What is the average time-frame for the processing of ASIO security assessments? 3. Is this trend in the number of assessments ASIO is currently undertaking expected to continue? 4. Does ASIO agree with the assessment of the Commonwealth Audit Office that the agency lacks 30 per cent of the staff required to properly carry out checks? 5. If ASIO does agree with the Assessment of the Audit Office, will ASIO recommend to Government an increase of 30 per cent in its staffing resources? 	Written
57	AG	Program 1.3 CLD	Brandis	National Contract Law	In relation to the proposed National Contract [Law] review:	Written

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				Reform	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What expenditure has thus far been spent undertaking the review? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. When will this appear in MYEFO? 2. How many meetings with expert stakeholders and peak bodies have been undertaken? 3. What bodies representing the legal profession have taken part? 4. Given the consultation on the review concluded on 20 July, Can you advise: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The number of submissions the consultation received; and b. Who the submissions were from? 5. What States and Territories have indicated participation in the review? 6. When will the review be finalised and released publicly? 7. Is an Australian contract code a possible outcome/recommendation of the review? 8. What is the view of the Department on the possibility of an Australian Contract code? 9. Does the Department subscribe to the view that a contract code will add complexity and inefficiency to contracts in Australia? 10. What is the Department's estimate of the costs involved in introducing an Australian contract code? 	
58	AG	Program 1.3 AJD	Brandis	Ethiopia Inter-country Adoption program	<p>In relation to the closure of the Ethiopian Adoption program:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many prospective parents had files waiting in the adoption system at the time the Department closed the program? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Of these prospective parents who had files waiting on the adoption system, what was the average waiting period? 2. Can you advise how many children were referred to the Program at the time of its closure? 3. Can you advise on what specific 'obstacles' the Department refers to in its press release, justifying the closure of the program? 4. What are the issues that make the Community Development 	Written

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					<p>Programs complex and challenging?</p> <p>5. Can you advise whether prospective adoptive parents who paid fees to the program will have their fees replaced in full?</p> <p>6. Can the Department elaborate on what it means by “fewer children in need of families because of increasing long-term care options within Ethiopia”? What are these alternative forms of care?</p> <p>7. What Ethiopian officials were advised of the Australian Government’s decision and how much notice were they given?</p> <p>8. Can you please advise as to whether development funds that were part of Australia’s adoption agreement with Ethiopia have also stopped?</p> <p>9. Given it is on public record that the decision was made to close the program on April 24, why did the delegation go ahead on April 27?</p> <p>10. Did the Department advise the Ethiopian Authorities of the pending closure during this delegation visit or did they give the impression that the delegation was there to finalise arrangements and confirm contracts?</p> <p>11. As at April 24, what contracts were in place with Orphanages, Community Development Programs, and with government authorities such as MOWA?</p> <p>12. Given the decision to close was made on April 24, why did the Department delay until June 28th to announce the closure?</p> <p>13. The Bilateral agreement calls on adoptive parents to write reports etc annually, so what has been put in place within Ethiopia for the post adoption support? To whom are families to lodge their reports with?</p> <p>14. What arrangements have been made for the MOWA visit later this year and how is Australia honouring the terms of the Bilateral agreement?</p> <p>15. Did the Attorney General’s Department give three months’ notice to the Ethiopian adoption authorities as is required by the agreement?</p>	
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					<p>16. Did the Department correspond directly with all prospective parents to advise them of termination of the program? If so, in what terms, and if not, why not?</p> <p>17. Does the Government intend on re-opening the program in the future?</p>	
59	AG	Program 1.3 AJD	Brandis	Court Filing Increase	When is it expected that each of the Federal Courts will come out of deficit, as a result of the court filing increases announced by the Attorney-General on 10 September 2012?	Written
60	MHAJ	ACC	Brandis	Illegal Firearms	<p>Earlier this year Minister for Home Affairs Jason Clare announced that the ACC would be heading up the National Intelligence Assessment of the illegal firearms market in Australia, is that correct?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What has been the cost of running this so far? 2. Where is the funding and resources for that inquiry coming from? 3. How many staff were allocated to the National Intelligence Assessment? 4. What is the outcome of the inquiry? 	Written
61	AG	AGS	Brandis	Tobacco litigation	<p>In relation to the Government's litigation in <i>Jt International Sa V Commonwealth Of Australia; British American Tobacco Australasia Limited & Ors V Commonwealth Of Australia</i> [2012] HCA 43, can it be confirmed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What was the total amount spent by the Commonwealth in this litigation? 2. How many lawyers from the Australian Government Solicitor were involved in this litigation? 	Written
62	AG	AGS	Brandis	Sexual harassment cases	<p>For the years 2009-10; 2010-11 and 2012-13:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many cases of sexual harassment were referred to the Australian Government Solicitor? 2. What was the total amount spent in each individual matter of sexual harassment by the Australian Government Solicitor? 3. How many lawyers were involved in each individual matter of sexual harassment by the Australian Government Solicitor? 	Written

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63	AG	AHRC	Brandis	Anti-bullying/harassment education	<p>In the settlement with Mr James Ashby in <i>Ashby v Commonwealth of Australia</i> (NSD 580 of 2012), the Commonwealth undertook to:</p> <p><i>“Implement an improved education program for staff employed under the Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984 concerning the processes by which issues of bullying and harassment can be brought to its attention and remedied, and offer specific training for members and senators in relation to issues of sexual harassment.”</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the Commission been approached by the Department regarding this ‘improved education program’? 2. Does the Commission intend to have input in the development of this ‘improved education program’? 	Written
64	AG	Program 1.6 CrJD	Brandis	Appointment of new Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions	<p>On 9 August 2012, the Government announced that it will shortly advertise for the appointment of the next Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many applicants responded to the advertisement? 2. What is the progress on this matter? 3. When is the vacancy expected to be filled? 	Written
65	AG	Program 1.3 AJD	Brandis	Appointment of a new Family Court Judge in Queensland	<p>In relation to the appointment of a new Family Court judge in Queensland following the retirement the Honourable Justice Robert Monteith:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When is the appointment expected to be made? 2. Will the appointment be a Family Court judge, based permanently in the Townsville registry? 	Written
66	AG	Federal Magistrates Court	Brandis	Permanent Registry in the Gold Coast region	<p>Given the volume of work originating in the Gold Coast region, will the Court consider the establishment of a permanent registry in that area?</p>	Written
67	AG	Federal Magistrates	Brandis	Circuit sittings	<p>Is the number of circuit sittings expected to increase or decrease for the financial year 2012-13? Please provide the number of relevant increase or</p>	Written

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		Court			decrease.	
68	AG	Program 1.3 SID	Brandis	Native Title Act Reforms	In relation to reforms to the <i>Native Title Act</i> : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How are these reforms progressing? 2. Who has the Government been in consultation with regarding these reforms? 3. When are the reforms expected to be passed? 	Written
69	MHAJ	AFP	Cash	People smuggling	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Could you advise the number of interceptions by province for people smuggling activity in Indonesia by month for the past 12 months? 2. Could you advise the number of interceptions by province for people smuggling activity in Indonesia by year for 2011/12, 2010/11, 2009/10? 	Written
70	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Staffing	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many staff does the AFP currently have? Has this figure changed over the past twelve months? 2. Has there been any redundancies whether forced or voluntary in the past twelve months? 3. If staff have been cut, from which areas did they originate from? 	Written
71	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Gold Coast Robina Office	In relation to the AFP's operations from its Robina office on the Gold Coast: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many matters were referred to this office, from the Gold Coast region, in the financial years 2009-10; 2010-11 and 2012-13? 2. For those investigative officers based from the Robina office, where will they be relocated when the office closes? 3. Will the closure of the Robina office impair on the AFP's ability to conduct its operations in the Gold Coast region? 	Written
72	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	People smuggling	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 as a supermarket trolley supervisor at a Canberra shopping centre.	Written

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					<p>Captain Emad, who is an Iraqi national, arrived in Australia on a boat from Indonesia as a refugee in 2010 and was on a protection visa.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How long had the AFP been investigating Captain Emad? 2. What is the usual practice when the AFP are investigating someone who is on any kind of visa? Is DIAC usually informed? 3. 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? 4. 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 charges? 	
73	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Airport deployments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the total cost of community policing at each individual airport which has AFP in attendance (dollar amount)? 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? 3. What is the number of incidents that occur in terminals (passenger related) vs. outside terminals (business park related)? 4. How many AFP are currently stationed at each airport? 5. How many of them are sworn officer as required by the change over to the All-In model? 6. What is the cost of the officers and any costs association with their work? 7. 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"> a. What kind of consultation is currently underway between the Australian Federal Police, the federal government and 	Written

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					<p>the operators of Australian airports to determine an appropriate model for this levy?</p> <p>8. What is the process by which the Australian Federal Police determine current and future AFP staffing levels at Australian airports?</p> <p>9. 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?</p>	
74	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Immigration detention centre policing	<p>In relation to Immigration Detention Centre policing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you provide an update on the current status of the MOU between the AFP, DIAC, SERCO and the State and Territory police? 2. Why is it taking so long to finalise the last MOU's? What are the points of disagreement that are holding up the process? 3. When do you expect the MOU's to be finalized? 4. Are you satisfied that the signed MOU's clearly detail the roles and responsibilities for each agency when a riot or escalated incident occurs that SERCO cannot contain? 5. Has additional Commonwealth funding and resources been provided where appropriate to State and Territory police? 6. Have AFP offices been involved in training State and Territory police in public order management to deal with incidences of this nature at detention centres? 7. 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. 	Written
75	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	International Deployment Group	<p>In relation to the International Deployment Group:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Question on Notice number 42, from the Budget Estimates round, asks about complaints made against members of the International Deployment Group. 	Written

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					<p>In the answer it details that a total of 43 complaints were made against members deployed to the Solomon Islands, 4 of which were made by members of the public.</p> <p>Compared with other deployments there appears to be an usually high number of complaints against AFP members.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What is the reason for such a high volume of complaints? b. Were they against 43 separate officers or were they 43 complaints that involved multiple officers? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Has any action been taken to follow up on these complaints? 3. Can you provide a breakdown of the past 3 financial years of the numbers of AFP in each overseas deployment and how this has changed over the years? 	
76	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Cocos Keeling Island boat arrivals	<p>In relation to Cocos Keeling Island boat arrivals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many illegal boat arrival interceptions has the AFP been involved in from Cocos Keeling Island over the past three years? 2. 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? 3. What resources does the AFP have on Cocos keeling island? 4. Are there any plans to deploy further officers in the near future? If yes, how many? 	Written
77	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	Christmas Island deployment	<p>In relation to the Christmas Island Deployment:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you provide an update of how many AFP officers are currently stationed at Christmas Island? 2. Can you provide the figures as at the first day of the month for the 	Written

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					<p>past six months?</p> <p>3. Over the past six months, have 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 people and officers involved?</p>	
78	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	500 sworn police officers	<p>In relation to the 500 sworn police officers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you provide an update on the 500 sworn police officers that were promised by the current Government during the 2007 election campaign? 2. How much has been spent to date to fulfil this promise? How many officers have been sworn in? 3. Is this a promise that has been hard to fulfil give the staff and budget cuts the Government have asked your agency to make? 	Written
79	MHAJ	AFP	Brandis	People smuggling strike team	<p>In relation to the People Smuggling Strike Team:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the current amount of funding allocated per year for the People Smuggling Strike Team? 2. 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? 3. Where are the staff located? 4. Is the People Smuggling Strike Team involved with the anti-people smuggling campaign run by Customs? If yes what is the involvement? 	Written
80	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	Licit and illicit tobacco markets	<p>Please provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The size of the licit tobacco market from importations yearly for the last 5 years?; and 2. The size of the illicit market, and the percentage of tobacco 	Written

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					intercepted as a proportion of this figure further broken down yearly for the last 5 years?	
81	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Cash	IMA arrivals	<p>a) Can the Department advise the number of IMAs who arrived in Australia who embarked on their final sea journey from Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Malaysia?</p> <p>b) Can the Department provide a breakdown of the number of SIEVs and IMAs by province of embarkation in Indonesia for 2011/12, 2010/11 and 2009/10?</p> <p>c) Can the Department provide a breakdown of the number of SIEVs and IMAs by province of embarkation in Sri Lanka for 2011/12, 2010/11 and 2009/10?</p>	Written
82	AG	AHRC	Siewert	Stronger Futures legislation	Are there any further reports from the roll-out of the Stronger Futures legislation? Have you received any complaints relating to the roll-out of this legislation?	Written
83	AG	AHRC	Siewert	Removal of alcohol restrictions on Communities by the Northern Territory government	NT Government has suggested that it will remove of alcohol restrictions on communities – what is the Commissioners view of any decision to undertake this move without consultation with the affected communities? What are the options for the communities to appeal against any such decision?	Written
84	AG	AHRC	Siewert	Discrimination against older Australian in the workforce	Has there been any follow up from the report you released earlier this year about discrimination against older Australians in the workforce? Have you collected any additional data about older workers, or do you have any plans to collect further data? Please provide details.	Written
85	AG	AHRC	Siewert	Improved workforce access for older Australians	Can you please provide an update on the work you have been undertaking to improve workforce access for older Australians particularly any collaboration with DEEWR or Human Services?	Written
86	AG	AHRC	Siewert	Discrimination against older Australian in the	Can you please provide detail of any programs or strategies that you are developing to address the job-market discrimination issues faced by	Written

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				workforce	unemployed older Australians?	
87	AG	AHRC	Siewert	Disability Support Pension – legislative reform	With regards to legislative changes over the past 12 months that have impacted on the Disability Support Pension by introducing more stringent access tests, including an 18 month waiting period for some applicants, have you had any complaints relating to these changes? Have you undertaken any research into the impacts of this legislation? If not, will you?	Written
88	AG	Program 1.3 ILHRD	Boyce	Incarceration of Indigenous Australians with a cognitive impairment	<p>The Aboriginal Disability Justice Campaign (ADJC) has recently completed a report titled, "No End in Sight: The Imprisonment and Indefinite Detention of Indigenous Australians with a Cognitive Impairment."</p> <p>The ADJC estimates that there are between 100 - 150 people detained under mental impairment legislation around the country in prisons and psychiatric units; one third of that group are Indigenous Australians. The ADJC further estimates that of the 150 people detained on order at least one third are being detained indefinitely and again Indigenous Australians are disproportionately affected.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What is the view of the Department regarding the states and territories use of indefinite detention for people detained under mental impairment legislation? b. What legislative, policy and funding measures is the Department taking to reduce people detained in prisons and psychiatric units? c. What documentation is the Department collecting regarding the fact that people are being detained, often indefinitely, as a result of mental impairment legislation and the fact that it is disproportionately affecting indigenous Australians with a cognitive impairment? 	Written

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89	AG	Program 1.3 ILHRD	Boyce	Incarceration of Indigenous Australians with a cognitive impairment	<p>What is the response of the Department that the Alice Springs Correctional Centre in the Northern Territory is currently detaining a young Indigenous man with significant cognitive impairments and behaviours of concern including head banging which can render him with a serious injury and that the intervention by the ASCC to stop the head banging is to belt this young man in a restraint chair and then inject him with a tranquiliser to render him unconscious? This practice has now occurred four times the most recently on October the 6th 2012.</p>	Written
90	AG	Program 1.4 AJD	Colbeck	Ethiopia Intercountry Adoption Program	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does the Australian government intend to comply with the Hague convention statement that the adopted child should “...grow up in a family environment, in an atmosphere of happiness, love and understanding, recalling that each State should take, as a matter of priority, appropriate measures to enable the child to remain in the care of his or her family of origin” if the sibling of an Ethiopian child adopted by Australian parents is put up for adoption after the closure of the Australian-Ethiopian Adoption program? 2. If the “family of origin” consists of only one other child, due to the death of family members, abandonment, or the inability of the child’s family, community or country to provide adequate care other than an orphanage, and that child is put up for adoption, shouldn’t that child be given the opportunity to live with the family under which the adopted sibling is already placed? 3. How many times did the Australian government open and close this program in the last 10 years and what was the justification for each closure / reopening? 4. What services/ activities associated with this program are cost recovered? 5. What services/ activities associated with this program are 	Written

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					<p>appropriated?</p> <p>6. Is this program subject to the efficiency dividend?</p> <p>7. What was the budget for the Ethiopian Intercountry Adoption program for the last 10 years?</p> <p>8. How many adoptions were successfully arranged during this time?</p> <p>9. How are fees associated with family searches within Ethiopia established?</p> <p>10. Is this a flat fee or is it based on time taken to undertake the search?</p> <p>11. What is the hourly rate for such work?</p> <p>12. What feedback is provided to potential adoptive parents in regard to the fees charged and results of family searches?</p> <p>13. What KPIs did the program and other intercountry adoption programs have to meet?</p> <p>14. How does this program compare with other intercountry adoption programs with regard to these KPIs and in terms of costs, number of children successfully adopted, fees and charges for services?</p> <p>15. Have there been any external or internal investigations of this program?</p> <p>16. If so, what were the results?</p> <p>17. If not, should there be an investigation?</p>	
91	MHAJ	AFP	Xenophon	Investigations	In August 2011 the Australian Communication and Media Authority	Written

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				into alleged breaches of the <i>Interactive Gaming Act 2001</i>	referred the interactive gambling provider www.casino.com to the Australian Federal Police for investigation for breaches of the <i>Interactive Gambling Act 2001</i> . a) Can you please advise the status of this investigation? b) [If an investigation has not commenced], can you please advise why? c) What other interactive gambling providers have been investigated by the AFP? d) What was the outcome of those investigations?	
92	MHAJ	Customs & Border Protection	Humphries	Asset deployment	Senator HUMPHRIES: So are we seeing deployment of assets, such as boats, in other parts of our area of maritime interest modified or reduced because of the higher level of demand for response in our north-western waters? Mr Pezzullo: I think consistent with evidence we have given to this committee previously and I think also in response to questions on notice—I stand to be corrected—in some cases we have had to do things like curtail patrols, say, in the Southern Ocean in order to deploy the same vessel to the north. They have been judgements based on intelligence and risk decisions taken at the time. Senator HUMPHRIES: Could you provide on notice details of what those decisions might be? Mr Pezzullo: I will give you the answer on notice.	L&C 38 16/10/2012
93	AG	CDPP	Siewert	Tax fraud	Penalties for tax fraud For the financial year 2011-12: a) How much of the Director of Public Prosecutions financial resources (amount and percentage) was dedicated to tax fraud? b) How many staff working on projects related to tax fraud? c) How many convicted for tax fraud? d) For the financial periods 2011-12 provide a breakdown of the sentencing outcomes of recipients convicted by the CDPP by type of sentence (eg. custodial sentence, good behaviour bond, community service order, etc) and provide a breakdown of sentencing outcomes by type of income support payment, age; gender: state and territory, and Indigenous/non-Indigenous background e) For all custodial sentences, detail the length of sentence and the	Written

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					value of the fraud involved.	
94	AG	CDPP	Siewert	Social security fraud	<p>1. Penalties for Social Security fraud For the financial year 2011-12:</p> <p>a) How much of the Director of Public Prosecutions financial resources (amount and percentage) was dedicated to social security fraud?</p> <p>b) How many staff working on projects related to social security fraud?</p> <p>c) How many convicted for social security fraud?</p> <p>d) For the financial periods 2011-12 provide a breakdown of the sentencing outcomes of recipients convicted by the CDPP by type of sentence (eg. custodial sentence, good behaviour bond, community service order, etc) and provide a breakdown of sentencing outcomes by type of income support payment, age; gender: state and territory, and Indigenous/non-Indigenous background</p> <p>e) For all custodial sentences, detail the length of sentences and the value of the fraud involved.</p> <p>2. Social Security Fraud Convictions For the 2009-10, 2010-11 and 1 July 31 2011 to 30 June 2012 provide a breakdown of people:</p> <p>a) convicted of social security fraud by payment type.</p> <p>b) convicted of social security fraud by payment type and gender.</p> <p>c) convicted of social security fraud by state and territory and the amount for each jurisdiction.</p>	Written
95	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Staffing recruitment	<p><u>Staffing recruitment</u></p> <p>a) How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>c) This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</p> <p>d) How many ongoing staff were recruited in the year 2011-12?</p>	Written

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					<p>What classification were these staff?</p> <p>e) How many non-ongoing staff were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>f) How many contract staff left were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff? What is the average length of their employment period?</p>	
96	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Staffing departures	<p><u>Staffing departures</u></p> <p>a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>c) How many contract staff left department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?</p>	Written
97	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Staff reductions	<p><u>Staff reductions</u></p> <p>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>If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</p>	Written
98	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Recruitment Costs	<p><u>Recruitment Costs</u></p> <p>a) How much was spent on recruitment advertising in 2011-12? How much of this was spent online and how much of this was spent on print advertising?</p> <p>b) Please list where recruitment advertising was listed online and in print media.</p> <p>c) How much has been spent on recruitment advertising this financial year to date? How much of this was spent online and how much of this was spent on print advertising?</p> <p>d) Please list where recruitment advertising was listed online and in</p>	Written

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					print media.	
99	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Graduate Recruitment	<p><u>Graduate Recruitment</u></p> <p>a) How much has been spent on 2013 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.</p> <p>b) Has any travel been incurred for 2013 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.</p> <p>c) How much is estimated to be spent on 2013 Graduate Training? Provide details of what training is to be provided, why and the estimated cost for each.</p>	Written
100	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Education expenses	<p><u>Education expenses</u></p> <p>a) Has there been a change to the department/agency's guidelines on study since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012)? If yes, please provide details.</p> <p>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> <p>c) For 2011-12, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.</p>	Written

101	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	<p><u>Executive Coaching and Leadership Training</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Total spending on these services b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 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) d) The names of all service providers engaged 2) For each service purchased from a provider listed under 1) d), please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 3) Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The location used b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 	Written
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					d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	
102	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	<p><u>Executive Coaching and Leadership Training</u></p> <p>1) In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for 2011-12:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Total spending on these services b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 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) d) The names of all service providers engaged <p>2) For each service purchased from a provider listed under 1) d), please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) <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"> a) The location used b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who 	Written

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					<p>took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) Any costs the department or agency incurred to use the location</p>	
103	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Paid Parental Leave	<p><u>Paid Parental Leave</u></p> <p>1) Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?</p> <p>2) 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.</p> <p>3) For 2011-12 to date which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.</p>	Written
104	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:</p> <p>a) What is your current compliance level</p> <p>b) What are you doing to manage risk</p> <p>c) What is being done to comply with the mandatory requirements, and</p> <p>d) Details of any department/agency specific policies and procedures.</p>	Written
105	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Shredders	<p><u>Shredders</u></p> <p>1) Did the department/agencies purchase any shredders in 2011-12? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.</p>	Written

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					<p>2) Has the department/agencies purchased any shredders since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (24 May 2012)? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.</p>	
106	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Making the Public Service more efficient	<p><u>Making the Public Service more efficient</u></p> <p>Please detail how the department/agency will achieve savings over the forward estimates through pursuing further efficiencies in the way the public service operates (see media release by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation and the Special Minister of State of 25 September 2012 http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_1982012.html)</p> <p>In addition, please provide the following detail:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How will reductions in air travel spending be achieved? What is the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? b) What restrictions will be implemented for business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? c) How will the use of external consultants and contractors be reduced? How will this impact on the Department/agency? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? d) How will the department/agency manage moving recruitment advertising online? Will all future recruitment advertisement be online only? If not, explain why. What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? e) How will printing costs be reduced? Explain if and how the department/agency will reduce its printing costs by five per cent, or if it will not, why not? How will it be determined what documents will no longer be printed? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? 	Written

107	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Hospitality and Entertainment	<p><u>Hospitality and Entertainment</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. 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 each event. c) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. 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 each event. e) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. f) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event. g) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. h) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event. 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? 	Written
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					<p>2.</p> <p>a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for 2011-12. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</p> <p>c) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.</p> <p>d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for 2011-12. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.</p>	
108	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Consultancies	<p><u>Consultancies</u></p> <p>1.</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? 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> <p>2. How many consultancies were undertaken in 2011-12? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.</p>	Written

109	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Contractors	<p><u>Contractors</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For this financial year to date: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 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). c) Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 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). 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). 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). 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). h) Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering 	Written
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					<p>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 & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & 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> <p>2. For 2011-12:</p> <p>a) Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).</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 & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & 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</p>	
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					<p>(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 & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & 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>	
110	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Grants	<p><u>Grants</u></p> <p>1.</p> <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>2.</p> <p>a) Could the department/agency provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for 2011-12? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.</p> <p>b) Were all grant agreement details published on its website</p>	Written

					within the required timeframe? If not, provide details.	
111	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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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)? 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) 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? d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined? <p>2. For 2011-12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Did the department/agency pay its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e.within 30 days)? 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) c) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is/was interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year? d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined? e) Have all accounts from 2011-12 been paid? If no, why 	Written

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					not?	
112	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Travel Costs	<p><u>Travel Costs</u></p> <p>1.</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 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).</p> <p>c) 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>d) 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>e) 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>2.</p> <p>a) For 2011-12, please detail all travel for Departmental</p>	Written

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					<p>officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p> <p>b) For 2011-12, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p>	
113	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 2011-12? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>b) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>c) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>2)</p> <p>a) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.</p> <p>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</p>	Written

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					<p>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>	
114	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Corporate Cars	<p><u>Corporate Cars</u></p> <p>1) Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2012-13 (May 2012):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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>2) For 2011-12:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 was the cost of each car? e) How far did each car travel? 	Written
115	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Taxi Costs	<p><u>Taxi Costs</u></p> <p>1)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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>2)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2011-12? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for taxi costs? 	Written

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116	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Credit Cards	<p><u>Credit Cards</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. 2) Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2012-13 (May 2012): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? b) How is corporate credit card use monitored? c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse? 3) For 2011-12 how many instances of corporate credit card misuse were there? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. 	Written
117	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Electricity Purchasing	<p><u>Electricity Purchasing</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Provide details of any update of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement if there has been a change since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (24 May 2012). 2) What are the department/agency electricity costs for 2011-12? 3) What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date? 	Written
118	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</p>	Written

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					<p>agencies within the portfolio by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Department/Agency; b) Location; c) Leased or Owned; d) Size; e) Number of Staff at each location and classification; f) If rented, the amount and breakdown of rent per square metre; g) If owned, the value of the building; h) Depreciation of buildings that are owned; i) Type of functions and work undertaken. 	
119	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Staff Amenities	<p><u>Staff Amenities</u></p> <p>What amenities are provided to staff? Provide a list.</p>	Written
120	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Coffee Machines	<p><u>Coffee Machines</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage? 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. b) Why were coffee machines purchased? c) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from? d) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in 2011-12 and how much this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken Where does the funding for maintenance come from? 	Written
121	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Printing costs	<p><u>Printing costs</u></p> <p>1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How much was spent on printing 2011-12? Of this amount, how much was for printing documents? 	Written

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					<p>b) How many documents (include the amount of copies) were printed in 2011-12? How many of these printed documents were also published online?</p> <p>c) Of the documents that were printed in 2011-12, where were they delivered and what was the cost?</p> <p>2.</p> <p>a) How much has been spent on printing this financial year to date? Of this amount, how much was for printing documents?</p> <p>b) How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed this financial year to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?</p>	
122	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Government Advertising	<p><u>Government Advertising</u></p> <p>1.</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 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</p>	Written

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					<p>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> <p>2.</p> <p>a) What was the total cost of all advertising for 2011-12?</p> <p>b) Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.</p> <p>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 that was undertaken in 2011-12.</p>	
123	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Media Monitoring	<p><u>Media Monitoring</u></p> <p>1.</p> <p>a) What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts</p>	Written

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					<p>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>2.</p> <p>a) 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> <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>3.</p> <p>a) What was the actual total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for 2011-12?</p> <p>b) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>c) What was the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2011-12?</p> <p>4.</p> <p>a) What was the actual total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for 2011-12?</p> <p>b) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p>	
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					c) What was the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2011-12?	
124	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Social Media	<p><u>Social Media</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has there been any changes to department and agency social media or protocols about staff access and usage 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 issued. 2. Does the department/agency monitor usage of social media? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) If yes, provide details of the usage (for example details could include average hours per employee, hours when usage peaks) b) If no, will the department/agency monitor usage in the future? 3. 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) 	Written
125	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Stationery requirements	<p><u>Stationery requirements</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? b) What are the department/agency's stationery costs for the financial year to date? 2. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) 	Written

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					stationery requirements in your portfolio (i.e. paper, envelopes, with compliments slips) in 2011-12? b) What were the department/agency's stationery costs for 2011-12?	
126	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Media Subscriptions	<p><u>Media Subscriptions</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has there been any change to your pay TV subscription since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (24 May 2012) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels. b) What is the cost for this financial year to date? 2. Has there been any change to your newspaper subscriptions since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (24 May 2012) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers. b) What is the cost for this financial year to date? 3. Has there been any change to your magazine subscriptions since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (24 May 2012) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines. b) What is the cost for this financial year to date? 4. What was the 2011-12 cost for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) TV subscriptions b) Newspaper subscriptions c) Magazine subscriptions 5. Does the department/agency provide any media subscriptions to its Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries? If yes, provide details of what is provided and the cost this financial year to date and for 2011-12. 	Written

127	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Media Training	<p><u>Media Training</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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"> a) Total spending on these services b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 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) d) The names of all service providers engaged 2) For each service purchased from a provider listed under 1) d), please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 3) Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The location used b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 	Written
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					<p>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p> <p>4) In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for 2011-12:</p> <p>a) Total spending on these services</p> <p>b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>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)</p> <p>d) The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>5) For each service purchased from a provider listed under 4) d), please provide:</p> <p>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>e) The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>6) Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>a) The location used</p> <p>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment</p>	
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					classification) d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	
128	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Communications and media staff	<p><u>Communications and media staff</u></p> <p>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"> a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location 	Written
129	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Board Appointments	<p><u>Board Appointments</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) List all of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members. b) What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio? c) Please detail any board appointments for this financial year to date. 2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) List all of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members for 2011-12. b) What was the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio for 2011-12? 	Written
130	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Community Cabinet Meetings	<p><u>Community Cabinet Meetings</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 	Written

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					<p>a) How many Community Cabinet meetings has the Minister attended this financial year to date? List date and location.</p> <p>b)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? ii. What was the total cost of this travel? iii. List travel type, accommodation and any other expenses. iv. Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location. <p>c) What was the total cost to the Department and the Minister's office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?</p>	
					<p>2.</p> <p>a) How many Community Cabinet meetings did the Minister attend in 2011-12? List date and location.</p> <p>b)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for 2011-12? ii. What was the total cost of this travel? iii. List travel type, accommodation and any other expenses. iv. Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location. <p>c) What was the total cost to the Department and the Minister's office for the Community Cabinet meetings for 2011-12?</p>	
131	AG/	Portfolio	Humphries	Reviews	Reviews	Written

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	MHAJ				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For this financial year to date: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How many Reviews are being undertaken? b) What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded? c) Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? d) When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? e) Has the Government responded to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not? f) What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews? g) What reviews are planned? h) When will each of these reviews be concluded? 2. For 2011-12: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How many Reviews were undertaken? b) Where all reviews have, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded? c) Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? d) Did the Government respond to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not? e) What was the estimated cost of each of these Reviews? f) For any ongoing reviews, when will each of these reviews be concluded? 	
132	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Commissioned Reports	<p><u>Commissioned Reports</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) How many Reports were commissioned by the Government in your department/agency in 2011-12? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. b) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? 	Written

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					<p>How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level?</p> <p>c) What is the current status of each report? Did the Government report within the required timeframe? If not, when is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</p> <p>2.</p> <p>a) How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency this financial year to date? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.</p> <p>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?</p> <p>c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?</p>	
133	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> <p>a) How are briefings requests commissioned?</p> <p>b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.</p> <p>c) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed.</p> <p>d) How long is spent undertaking briefings for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.</p>	Written

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					<p>2) Have any briefings been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed. d) How long is spent undertaking briefings for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. <p>3) Were any briefings been provided to the Australian Greens in 2011-12? If yes, please include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed. d) How long is spent undertaking briefings for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. <p>4) Were any briefings been provided to Independents in 2011-12? If yes, please include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed. 	
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					d) How long is spent undertaking briefings for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.	
134	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Training for Portfolio Minister and Secretaries	<p><u>Training for Portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries</u></p> <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 that is tailored 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> <p>4) For 2011-12, how much has been spent on training for Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for.</p> <p>5) For 2011-12, how much has been spent on training for staff of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for.</p> <p>6) For 2011-12, how much has been spent on training that is tailored</p>	Written

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					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.	
135	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Provision of Equipment	<p><u>Provision of Equipment</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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? What were the running costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11? 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. 4. Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012): Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to whom it is provided. 5. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12. 6. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, 	Written

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					<p>what type of electronic equipment was provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12.</p> <p>7. If electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) was provided to department/agency staff for 2011-12, provide details of what was provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.</p>	
136	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Internet	<p><u>Internet</u></p> <p>a) Has the Department experienced any internet problems, such as but not limited to slow internet, or internet blackouts?</p> <p>b) If yes, what was the reason for this?</p> <p>c) Did it impact the Minister's office?</p>	Written
137	AG/ MHAJ	Portfolio	Humphries	Freedom of Information	<p><u>Freedom of Information</u></p> <p>a) Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests?</p> <p>b)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a) What is the total cost to the department/agency to process FOI requests for 2011-12?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b) How many FOI requests did the department/agency receive in 2011-12?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">c) How many requests were denied and how many were granted?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">d) Did the department fail to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many? Do any of these requests remain outstanding?</p> <p>c)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a) What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b) How many FOI requests has the Department received for</p>	Written

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					<p>this financial year to date?</p> <p>c) How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted?</p> <p>d) Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?</p>	
138	MHAJ	Customs and Border protection	Humphries	Maintenance of Border Protection Command vessels	<p>Maintenance of Border Protection Command vessels</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Provide the maintenance schedule of all vessels used for Border Protection Command over the past 12 months. 2) List all of the maintenance problems with each vessel used by Border Protection Command over the past 12 months and list any repairs that were required. 3) Over the past 12 months where has each Border Protection Command vessel been stationed and for how long? 4) Where are the current fleet of vessels located? Also list those vessels that are undergoing maintenance and repairs. 5) Where is maintenance and repairs conducted for Border Protection Command vessels? 6) Who conducts the maintenance and repairs and how much does it cost per year? (list past four financial years) 	Written
139	MHAJ	Customs and Border protection	Humphries	Border Protection Command running costs	<p>Border Protection Command running costs</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) What is the cost of running Border Protection Command vessels per day? What is the total for the year? 2) What were the scheduled patrol days for the Border Protection Command vessels and what were the actual patrol days? 	Written

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					3) How much was spent on fuel for BPC vessels over the past 12 months? Did this exceed the budget?	
140	MHAJ	Customs and Border protection	Humphries	Aerial surveillance	<p>Aerial surveillance</p> <p>1) How many planes are currently used by BP C? Where are they located and how many flying hours are they each allocated?</p> <p>2) Have any aircraft required repairs or additional maintenance? If yes, list the repairs and maintenance undertaken.</p>	Written
141	MHAJ	Customs and Border protection	Humphries	Passenger Facilitation/ Duty free tobacco ban	<p>Passenger Facilitation/ Duty free tobacco ban</p> <p>1) What was the cost of re-printing the landing cards for the changes in the duty free tobacco allowance?</p> <p>2) What has happened to the confiscated excess tobacco? How has it been destroyed if at all? What is the budget to store or destroy confiscated tobacco?</p> <p>3) List any advertising Customs used in regard to the changes in the duty free tobacco allowance. What was the cost and duration of each advertisement program?</p>	Written
142	MHAJ	Customs and Border protection	Humphries	Customs offices	<p>Customs offices</p> <p>1) Could you please list any Customs offices that have been closed over the past 12 months or any plans to close particular offices?</p> <p>2) Has there been any staffing reduction from Customs offices? If so, list numbers and locations?</p>	Written
143	MHAJ	Customs and Border	Humphries	Purchase of shredders	<p>Purchase of shredders</p>	Written

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		protection			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Referring to the answer provided in QoN No. 164 from the May round of estimates hearings, did the total cost of shredders inclusive of delivery costs? If not, please provide the total cost including delivery and installation...? 2) Has Customs or Border Protection Command considered tendering a contract for the provision of shredders or shredding services? If not, why? I.e. has customs or Border Protection Command considered external companies providing destruction of sensitive material services? If so, what quotes were obtained? 3) Has Customs or Border Protection Command conducted a cost analysis of purchasing units compared to contracting to an external company? If not, why? 4) Were any of the replaced shredders still operational and compliant with the Protective Security Policy Framework (PSPF) at the time of decommissioning? 5) How many of the replaced shredders were not compliant with the PSPF? Of these, were these shredders still used previously to destroy sensitive material even though they were not considered 'compliant' with the PSPF? 6) Are the purchased units similar to, or the same as, any of the replaced units? If so, how many are similar or the same as? 7) Who conducted the original audit to replace the shredders? What was the total cost of this audit? 8) What was the cost of replacing the 118 units including dumping costs etc? 	
144	MHAJ	Customs	Hanson-	Sri Lanka	Re Sri Lanka	Written

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		and Border protection	Young		<p>a) Is the ACBPS directly involved in on-water interception operations either with the Sri Lankan navy or coast guard or in any other capacity?</p> <p>b) Please provide details as to the manner in which ACBPS co-ordinates activities with the Sri Lankan navy, coast guard and police, and the roles played by ACBPS in that co-ordinated activity. For example, what would co-ordination of surveillance and “on-water responses” entail on the part of ACBPS? Would that include ACBPS being actively involved in operations with the Sri Lankan navy or coast guard?</p> <p>c) As stated above, persons intercepted by the navy are handed to the SLSP which has a history of widespread use of torture and arbitrary detention. Could you please provide details of the assessment undertaken, and the safeguards in place, to ensure that Australia's close cooperation with Sri Lanka to prevent people smuggling – whether through provision of financial or other resources, information and intelligence sharing, capacity building or other assistance – does not expose people, directly or indirectly, to human rights violations in Sri Lanka following their interception, including arbitrary arrest, arbitrary detention, torture and other ill-treatment?</p> <p>d) Please explain whether and to what extent Australia does or has ever provided air surveillance assistance to Sri Lanka's navy in the course of cooperation on people smuggling.</p> <p>e) Please explain whether and to what extent ACBPS or any other government department plans to provide resources such as a vessel to assist in the Sri Lankan patrol.</p> <p>f) Are there any limits placed on Australia's ability to share its analysis of information with Sri Lankan authorities? If so, please explain the basis on which intelligence or information is provided or withheld. Is there a formal policy or procedure in place that governs the extent to which Australian authorities can share information with their Sri Lankan counterparts?</p> <p>g) Please provide details of any operational equipment that has been gifted to the Sri Lanka Coast Guard.</p>	
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					h) Is any part of the 2012-13 ACBPS budget being allocated towards operational equipment to be provided to Sri Lanka, or any other form of resourcing, training or operational cooperation with the Sri Lankan authorities? If so, please provide details of the spending and its aims.	
145	AG	Program 1.7 NSRPD	Humphries	Enhanced location-based emergency alert system	<p>Enhanced location-based emergency alert system</p> <p>Will Vodafone Hutchison Australia subscribers be in receipt of warning messages through the enhanced system by the 2012/13 disaster season? If not, when will subscribers be able to receive these messages?</p> <p>Will subscribers still be in receipt of Emergency Alert warnings via the current system based on an individual's billing address?</p> <p>Is there a possibility of a repeat of the malfunction that was witnessed during the Canberra chemical fire last year?</p> <p>Will the enhanced system through Telstra be fully operational by the 2012/13 disaster season?</p> <p>It was relayed by Mr Rothery in the last round of estimates that there were some design changes in the contracted system with Telstra from the initial design used in the feasibility study. It was relayed that further testing of the system was required. Has this testing occurred? As it has been posited that testing would occur during rollout, would there be a possibility that any flaws or errors in the design may lead to confusion amongst subscribers if receiving unexpected errors in messaging?</p> <p>Will the enhanced system be normative across all three Telcos, or will there be system discrepancies across the service providers which will not allow for a completely synchronised system?</p> <p>Will there be an overlap between the current system and the enhanced system, i.e. is there a possibility that subscribers may receive multiple warnings?</p>	Written

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					<p>Where do negotiations currently stand with Optus? Will the enhanced system under Optus be fully operational in time for the 2012/13 disaster season?</p> <p>How many subscribers are currently clients of Optus, Vodafone and Telstra for the purposes of sending warnings? Provide a breakdown of each Telco..</p> <p>What is the total cost to the Commonwealth to date for negotiations regarding the enhanced system and any testing etc...?</p> <p>Would the Department agree that the enhanced system will not be operational across all 3 Telcos in anticipation of the 2012/13 disaster season, even though the Department hoped for finalising with all 3 Telcos and having a fully operational system by this time?</p> <p>Can the Department ensure that testing of the enhanced system will take place prior to the 2012/13 disaster season to ensure minimal operational impact etc?</p>	
146	AG	Program 1.7 NSRPD	Humphries	Review of disaster assistance	<p>Review of disaster assistance</p> <p>a) Has the Attorney-General, Nicola Roxon, initiated a review of disaster assistance of either the Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP) or the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) as held in ABC News article 'Roxon says flood aid will be reviewed' dated 4 May 2012? If not, why?</p> <p>b) If so, when will this review be completed?</p> <p>c) What specific funding areas are being considered in the review?</p>	Written

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					<p>d) What community consultation has the Attorney-General or the Department had with those individuals affected by the 2011/12 flooding events regarding the review?</p> <p>e) Has the Attorney-General corresponded either in person or via letter to the Bland Shire Mayor, Mr Neil Pokoney, regarding his concerns in relation to disaster assistance after an event? If so, please specify?</p>	
147	AG	Program 1.7 EMA	Humphries	Disaster resilience and mitigation	<p>Disaster resilience and mitigation</p> <p>a) Referring to articles dated 3 and 4 April 2012 referencing the Hon Robert McClelland MP, does the Department concur with Mr McClelland's statements that the handling of emergency preparedness funding is being sacrificed to help meet the budget surplus target and that the government should be looking at preventative measures?</p> <p>b) What communications have been made by the Attorney-General, Nicola Roxon, regarding the handling of the AGDRP disaster payments since her appointment, please specify?</p> <p>c) What communications have been made by Ms Roxon to the Department regarding disaster mitigation since her appointment, please specify?</p> <p>d) Has Ms Roxon expressed to the Department any proposed changes to the way in which the AGDRP is dispensed to those individuals affected by disaster, including eligibility requirements etc...?</p> <p>e) Have there been any instances since Ms Roxon's appointment whereby claims or requests from states and territories for the activation of assistance under the AGDRP or NDRRA Category C assistance have been postponed, denied or cancelled? If so, please</p>	Written

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					<p>detail?</p> <p>f) Have there been any instances where claims or requests have initially been postponed or rejected and subsequently been approved? If so, please detail?</p> <p>g) Would the Department concur with Mr Paul Bell's statement (President of the Local Government Association of QLD) that better spending and investment by the government on infrastructure that offers better protection from the floods, fires and cyclones might lead to fewer victims/casualties?</p> <p>h) If so, has Ms Roxon acted by focusing on preventative measures, or has she directed the Department to focus their resources on preventative measures? If not, would the Department adopt the opinion that preventative measures would be a more appropriate focus of resources?</p>	
148	AG	Program 1.7 EMA	McKenzie	Ex gratia payments	<p>The Disaster Assist website says that less than 20 people were granted ex gratia payments in relation to the North Eastern Victoria flooding event in early 2012. These payments totalled less than \$20,000.</p> <p>a) Were these ex gratia payments for New Zealanders resident in North Eastern Victoria?</p> <p>b) What are the other circumstances under which people can apply for an ex gratia payment following a natural disaster?</p> <p>c) How do they do so?</p> <p>d) Has anyone made such an application following the North Eastern Victoria floods?</p>	Written
149	AG	Program 1.7 EMA	McKenzie	Category C disaster Assistance	<p>Further to the Commonwealth decision to reject applications for Category C assistance - \$25,000 clean up and recovery grants - to Joel Joel, Wangaratta and Campaspe Shire residents and businesses under the National Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA).</p> <p>The floods caused an estimated \$3.7 million in damage, with 400km of fencing destroyed and 1500 sheep lost.</p>	Written

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					<p>a) By what criteria is an application for Category C assistance assessed by the Commonwealth? Please include a definition of any terms implying a measure, e.g. significant.</p> <p>b) Under which criteria were the applications for the Joel Joel, Wangaratta Shire and Campaspe Shire areas rejected, following their third flood in less than two years?</p> <p>c) What feedback was provided to local and state governments?</p> <p>d) By what date can the remaining nine Victorian local government areas impacted by the 2012 floods expect to be advised of the Commonwealth's decision regarding their applications for Category C support?</p>	
150	AG	AGS	Hanson-Young	Nauru and PNG	<p>a) Has the AGS been involved in drafting legislation this year (2012) for Nauru or PNG?</p> <p>b) Has the AGS provided any legal advice to the government about whether offshore processing is in breach of its obligations under the Refugee Convention?</p> <p>c) What advice has the AGS given to the minister about the CROC and the transfer of children to Nauru and PNG?</p> <p>d) Has AGS been involved in training or capacity building exercises with equivalent departments in Nauru and PNG? If so, what training has been undertaken and for what purpose?</p>	Written
151	AG	Program 1.5 SID	Scullion	Indigenous Justice and Law & Justice Advocacy Development programs	<p>Please indicate whether the programs and measures listed below are still operating in 2012-13. If they are still operating, please provide by program/ measure the current allocation and expenditure year to date (please indicate in respect of any of these programs/measures if information has already been provided):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indigenous Justice Program • Law & Justice Advocacy Development Program 	Written
152	AG	Program 1.3 CLD	Xenophon	Ashby/Slipper matter	<p>In relation to the Ashby/Slipper case, can the Minister and the Department explain:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Whether there are protocols/guidelines/directives or other related systems to manage the cost of litigation, and if so provide details of the same? 	Written

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Whether any such protocols/guidelines/directives or other related systems take into account: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The nature of the matter? b) The potential liability in both costs and damages? c) The inherent risks of litigation? 3. Were there any protocols/guidelines/directives or other related systems to trigger the review of the progress of the Ashby/Slipper case, and if so, did the triggers include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Evidence that came to light either through discovery or any other means? b) The costs incurred? 4. Who was responsible for the conduct of the Ashby/Slipper litigation? 5. Was the responsible person reporting to others in the Department and/or Government? 6. If so, to whom and on what dates, and to what extent? 7. Did such communications include any advice as to the costs being incurred? In particular, when did such communications take place? 8. On what dates did the legal costs for the Commonwealth exceed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) \$50,000 b) \$100,000 c) \$150,000 d) \$200,000 e) \$250,000 f) \$300,000 g) \$350,000 h) \$400,000 i) \$450,000 j) \$500,000 k) \$550,000 l) \$600,000 m) \$650,000 n) \$700,000 9. How many sexual harassment lawsuits has the Commonwealth been involved in over the last four years? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Without disclosing the identities of the parties involved, what were: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Commonwealth's legal costs in each such case 	
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					<p>(specifying if proceedings were formally issued or not)?</p> <p>ii. What was the payout (if any) in each such case?</p> <p>iii. What were the costs paid (if any) to the lawyers for the complainant in each such case?</p> <p>10. What were the total costs involved in respect of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Taking instructions/communications from the Attorney-General and/or any conferences and communications involving the Attorney-General? 	
153	AG	Program 1.3 ILHRD	Wright	Ratification and implementation of the Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture (OPCAT)	<p>Ratification and implementation of the Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture (OPCAT)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In February, the National Interest Analysis proposed that Australia ratify OPCAT, this proposal was reiterated in June by a recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties. Can you please provide an update as to the timetable of Australia's ratification and implementation of OPCAT? Will OPCAT be ratified by the end of this year? 2. What is the total expected annual cost of ratifying OPCAT? 3. What are the expected savings from ratifying OPCAT? Please be specific in terms of expected short-term and long-term cost savings following ratification of OPCAT. 4. Will the Commonwealth government introduce legislation to ratify OPCAT? 5. If not, is it expected that OPCAT will be ratified at a State level? 6. Please provide an update on the progress of States and Territories ratification of OPCAT. 7. Please provide a concrete timeframe for the introduction of model legislation in each State and Territory. 	Written

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Is this matter currently being considered by the Standing Council on Law and Justice? 9. If so, what is the Standing Council considering in relation to ratification and implementation of OPCAT? 10. What does the Commonwealth government propose to do if States and Territories haven't introduced enabling legislation within the set timeframe? 11. What current monitoring arrangements for places of detention exist at a Federal and State/Territory level? 	
154	AG	Program 1.6 NSLPD	Wright	David Hicks	<p>David Hicks</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recently in the Senate, Senator Ludwig, representing the Attorney-General, referred to two separate investigations undertaken by US authorities into allegations of mistreatment of David Hicks during his incarceration at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Senator Ludwig indicated that these investigations revealed no evidence of mistreatment or abuse while David Hicks was in US custody. Does the Department have the reports of these two separate investigations, which Senator Ludwig referred to? 2. If so, where are these reports and are they publicly available? 3. Who conducted these investigations, and does the Department consider that these investigations and reports are independent? 4. If these reports are not publicly available, why not and will they be made publicly available in the future? If they won't be made publicly available, why not? 5. Does the Department have access to any other reports regarding David Hicks' incarceration in Guantanamo Bay and his treatment while in US custody? 	Written

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. If so, what are those reports and are they publicly available? 7. Can you provide a list of all publicly available reports and information that the Attorney-General's Department possesses regarding David Hicks, particularly in relation to his detention in Guantanamo Bay and his treatment while in US custody. 8. Do any of these reports indicate or allege that David Hicks was mistreated or tortured while in Guantanamo Bay and/or while in US custody? 9. If so, please provide a list of any reports that make such allegations. 10. Are you aware of allegations by David Hicks and others that he was mistreated while in US custody? If yes, how have you responded to these allegations? 11. Senator Ludwig also indicated that the government has provided David Hicks with considerable assistance to support his welfare and reintegration into the community. Can you please comprehensively detail how and what welfare assistance the government has provided to David Hicks since his return to Australia in 2007? 12. David Hicks has indicated that he was mistreated when he was held in US custody and recent reports have alleged that David Hicks was forcibly administered drugs. Under the <i>Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment</i> (which Australia ratified on 8 August 1989 and that came into force for Australia on 7 September 1989) Australia has an obligation to ensure that the victim of an act of torture obtains redress and has an enforceable right to fair and adequate compensation (article 14). 13. Can you please provide details of how the Australian government is meeting its obligations under article 14 of the Convention Against Torture with respect to the allegations and reports concerning David Hicks' mistreatment and/or torture while in US custody. 	
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155	MHAJ	Program 1.6 CrJD	Wright	Funding of Community Programs under the Confiscated Assets Account	<p>Funding of Community Programs under the Confiscated Assets Account</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) In the 2012-13 Budget it was announced that nearly \$60 million of payments from the Confiscated Assets Account will be deferred over the coming four years. The last POCA Funding Round closed on 16 March 2012. Will any NGO, Local Government or Government sector funding rounds be announced during the 2012-13 financial year? 2) If no future funding rounds are planned for the 2012-13 financial year, is the Department continuing to accept any applications for NGO-sector funding? 3) What other Federal funding options are available for NGO and Local Government programs that provide important local crime prevention, drug treatment and drug diversionary measures? 4) In answers to questions during Budget Estimates 2012-2013, the Department indicated that an agreement was being negotiated with Neighbourhood Watch for a three-year funding package. What guidelines or procedures are in place to govern the negotiation of this type of one-to-one funding agreement outside of normal funding rounds? 5) Is the Department currently negotiating ongoing funding arrangements with any other non-government sector organisations, and if so, which ones? 6) What is the total amount of current funds in the Confiscated Assets Account? How much of this figure remains available to be spent on crime prevention, law enforcement and drug measures? 7) Since the Confiscated Assets Account was first established in 2003, how much funding has been allocated to community programs delivered by either NGOs or Local Governments as compared to Federal Government sector programs? 8) In answers to questions during Budget Estimates 2012-2013, the Department indicated there are approximately 200 active community based projects which will continue to run for a period of approximately 18 months to 2 years. Please provide a list of 	Written
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					<p>those projects which will, or have already, come to an end during the financial 2012-13 year plus a separate list of those which will come to an end in the 2013-14 financial year?</p> <p>9) Does the Department require and assist recipients of POCA Grants to submit outcomes-focussed evaluations of the projects for which they have received funding? If so, are these evaluations publicly available?</p>	
156	AG	Corporate	McKenzie	Electricity costs	<p>a) For the financial year 2011-2012, how many kilowatt hour of electricity did the department consume? What was the total cost?</p> <p>b) What does this cost work out to per employee?</p> <p>c) What increases in electricity costs has the Department experienced since the introduction of the carbon tax?</p> <p>d) How has this changed the Department's spending pattern? What programs or services have been cut to meet the increased costs?</p> <p>e) What measures is the Department taking to reduce its electricity expenditure? When did these commence? What impact have they had?</p>	Written
157	AG	Program 1.3 AJD	Wright	Family Law	<p>1) The family violence amendments to the Family Law Act have been operating now for just over 4 months. Would you please detail the evaluation process which has been put in place to measure the impact of these amendments on children, parents and on court processes? Also, what amount has been budgeted for this evaluation? Please provide details of the funds allocated to this evaluation process over the past three years (2009/2010, 2010/2011, 2011/2012 and over forward estimates).</p> <p>2) During the Senate Inquiry into the provisions of the family violence bill, Women's Legal Services Australia recommended implementing a risk assessment framework to identify and explore issues of family violence and child abuse at the initial stages of an application. Has the Department undertaken any research or analysis with respect to the creation of a comprehensive risk assessment framework for Australia's family law system?</p> <p>3) Regarding Indigenous and culturally diverse clients within the family law system - in February 2012, the Family Law Council provided two reports focused on improving the family law system for Indigenous and</p>	Written

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					<p>CALD clients. When can we expect the Government's full response to these reports?</p> <p>4) The advice I receive from stakeholders is that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients have very limited ability to provide assistance in family law matters, let alone engage in community education and early intervention programs. In developing a response to the report on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients within the family law system, has the Department given consideration to the adequacy of the current level of funding provided to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services?</p> <p>5) Both reports recommend an expansion of the type & number of services provided by the family law courts, yet both the Family Court and Federal Magistrates Court are already struggling to operate under existing appropriations. Can you give me any indication as to how the Government intends to resolve this tension?</p>	
158	MHAJ	Customs and Border Protection	Di Natale	Flights to and from airports in Australia and Mozes Kilangin airport in Tembagapura, Indonesia	<p>Regarding flights from airports in Australia to Mozes Kilangin airport in Tembagapura, Indonesia, and from Mozes Kilangin airport to airports in Australia:</p> <p>a) What are the visa and customs arrangements?</p> <p>b) Is there a list of equipment shipped on these flights? Please provide these lists?</p>	Written
159	MHAJ	Program 1.6 CrJD	Hanson-Young	Commonwealth Directive to States Restricting Remittance of People Smuggling Prisoners' Gratuities	<p>Commonwealth Directive to States Restricting Remittance of People Smuggling Prisoners' Gratuities</p> <p>a) Is there a Directive from the Commonwealth government that asks or requires states to restrict the transfer of gratuities earned by prisoners charged or convicted for people smuggling offences?</p> <p>b) Could we please have a copy of the Directive/policy?</p> <p>c) Which department(s) was it issued by, and when?</p> <p>d) Who does it apply to? Does it apply to individuals charged with people smuggling offences or only people convicted?</p> <p>e) Which states or prisons are currently complying with the</p>	Written

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					<p>Directive?</p> <p>f) Have any states declined to comply? Why? What has the Commonwealth's response been to those states?</p> <p>g) How many individuals have had their gratuities restricted pursuant to the Directive since it was issued? Please provide a breakdown by state</p> <p>h) Are gratuities being returned to people smuggling defendants before they return home? Has the Department issued any instructions or requests to the states to ensure that this happens?</p>	
160	AG	Program 1.6 CrJD	McKenzie	Cyber safety	<p><i>Cyber safety</i></p> <p>Are there any legislative or other restrictions in Australia which correspond to the restrictions in the USA on the collection of data for children under a certain age which dictate the terms and conditions for users of sites like Facebook and Youtube?</p> <p>What advice, if any, have you given to the Attorney General regarding age limits to use social media (ie. Facebook/Youtube and kids under 13 years of age) and any possible laws and/or action that could be taken to restrict use?</p> <p>What advice, if any, has the Department provided to the Attorney General about taking action to deal with trolling and/or online bullying?</p> <p>What engagement has the Department had with social networking sites (Facebook, Twitter, Omegle, Tumblr, etc) about online safety as well as trolling in relation to both children and adults?</p> <p>Could you please advise the committee what progress has been made in relation to the recommendations from the Joint Select Committee on Cyber Safety's High Wire Act.</p> <p>What advice have you provided to the Attorney General about the ability</p>	Written

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					<p>to take action including legal action against social media outlets for carrying defamatory material, illegally using a carriage service to menace, harass or cause offence or hosting material that may be considered illegal?</p> <p>In your view, can action including legal action be taken against social media outlets for defamation, illegally using a carriage service to menace, harass or cause offence or any other illegal act?</p> <p>In your view, are social media outlets “publishers” for the purposes of defamation law?</p> <p>Are there practical impediments to taking such action?</p> <p>What advice have you provided to the Attorney General about the impediments if any of pursuing social media outlets which are hosted overseas, for defamation, criminal acts and other breaches of the law? Under what circumstances can these sites, as distinct to the content creators, be pursued under Australian law?</p> <p>What is the AG’s Department's understanding of the answer to the following question: If content on social media sites is defamatory or in breach of the law, who is liable? The social media outlet, or the individual account holder or both?</p>	
161	AG	Corporate	Humphries	Brumby Anti-Dumping Review	<p>Brumby Anti-Dumping Review</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What are the total quantifiable costs incurred by the government on work associated with the Brumby Anti-Dumping Review? b) What is the total quantifiable expenditure on travel undertaken by Mr Brumby and any support staff for work associated with the Review? Include a breakdown of travel class, reasons for travel, mode of travel etc. c) What is the total expenditure on administrative costs associated with the Review? d) What is the total number of Customs’ staffing establishment 	Written

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					<p>(ASL) dedicated to supporting or working on the Review? Are there any other departments/agencies offering support or assistance? If so, how many employees (ASL) are assigned or have been assigned to working or supporting the Review? Detail in what capacity these employees have supported or worked on the Review.</p> <p>e) On what date was Mr Brumby formally approached to undertake the Review, and by whom? Detail method of correspondence i.e. letter, email.</p> <p>f) Regarding the Review's Terms of Reference, who ultimately decided the Terms and References, and on what date?</p> <p>g) Have all formal submissions received regarding the Review been uploaded to the Review's website? If not, what number of submissions received have not been uploaded and why?</p> <p>h) Please detail the total number of hours Mr Brumby has dedicated to working on the Review to date? Has there been any form of remuneration or benefits of any kind provided to Mr Brumby for his work on the Review? If so, detail the total amount Mr Brumby has received and the details of any goods/benefits.</p>	
162	AGD/ MHAJ	Program 1.3 ILHRD	Humphries	Asylum seeker boats	<p>Asylum seeker boats</p> <p>a) What are the laws surrounding the making of fake distress calls at sea?</p> <p>b) What are the Safety of Life at Sea rules around the returning of passengers to the nearest port?</p> <p>c) Has the Government questioned any of the crew or passengers of the boats that have made false distress calls; are there plans to charge anyone over these offences?</p> <p>d) What are the instructions given to ADF personnel boarding asylum seeker boats who are confronted with violence against their persons or deliberate sabotage?</p> <p>e) Are these actions (violence against ADF personnel and sabotage), crimes under the Australian crimes act, if not, will the government consider making such attacks criminal offences?</p>	Written

