Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

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Department of Human Services

Topic: Computers

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Question:

- a) List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Minister's office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used
- b) List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location
- c) Please detail the operating systems used by the department's computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs

Answer:

a) The table below details the current inventory of computers deployed to the Minister's Office. The table also includes the employment classification of the staff and their allocated equipment.

	Item	Qty	Unit Cost (Ex. GST)	Location
Minister	Toshiba z20 Tablet/Laptop	1	\$1,445.77	No fixed location, device travels with Minister
	Acer Veriton desktop	1	\$742.00	Australian Parliament House
Advisers	Acer Veriton Desktop	1	\$742.00	Australian Parliament House
	Toshiba z20 Laptop	6	\$1,445.77	No fixed location, device travels with staff
Chief of Staff	Toshiba z20 Laptop	1	\$1,445.77	No fixed location, device travels with Chief of Staff
Department Liaison Officers	Toshiba z20 Laptop	2	\$1,445.77	Australian Parliament House

Office Manager	Toshiba z20 Laptop	1	\$1,445.77	Australian Parliament House
Spare (not in use)	Acer Veriton Desktop	4	\$742.00	Commonwealth Parliamentary Office Sydney – Used on an as needs basis
Spare (not in use)	Acer Veriton Desktop	2	\$742.00	Australian Parliament House – Used on an as needs basis

- b) The department has a combined total of 51,190 computers in use. In addition to the computers in use by staff, equipment is also issued for functional purposes such as:
 - staff training rooms;
 - self-service computers for customers use in Service Centres;
 - ICT service monitoring support and operations;
 - specialist stand-alone equipment for business purposes; and
 - emergency response situations.

A list of locations of computers is provided at Attachment A.

Item	Qty	Unit Cost (Ex. GST)
Tablet	2,871	\$1,445.77
PC	44,332	\$742.00 to \$795.30
Laptop	3,987	\$1,118.46

c) The department procures operating system software for the desktop via the Whole of Government, Volume Sourcing Agreement II (VSouth AustraliaII). The annual cost for Core Desktop Licencing (CDL) is approximately \$7.0 million, which also includes Windows, Office Professional, Enterprise Client Access Licenses and MS Desktop Optimisation.