

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

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Question No: 170(k)

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Hansard Ref: Written, 19/02/2016

Topic: Kitchen Appliances

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

National Cultural Institutions

- Australian National Maritime Museum
- National Film and Sound Archive
- National Gallery of Australia
- National Library of Australia
- National Museum of Australia
- National Portrait Gallery
- The Museum of Australian Democracy

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the department/agency purchased, leased or rented any kitchen appliances over the value of \$1000?
 - (a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of appliance, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of consumables and when the appliance was purchased?
 - (b) Why were the appliances purchased?
 - (c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since the appliances were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
 - (d) Where did the funding for the appliances come from?
 - (e) Who has access?
 - (f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the appliances? How much was spent on maintenance, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
 - (g) What are the other ongoing costs of the appliances?

Answer:

Australian National Maritime Museum

1. No.

National Film and Sound Archive

1. No.

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1. The National Library of Australia has purchased 2 kitchen appliances over the value of \$1,000.

(a)

i. 1 Mixer, \$4,041 (Excluding GST), there are no ongoing costs apart from minor maintenance, purchased 27 November 2015,

ii. 1 Freezer, \$5,588 (Excluding GST) , there are no ongoing costs apart from minor maintenance, purchased 27 November 2015.

(b) Purchased for the commercial kitchen in bookplate café in accordance with contract for the externally leased café premises.

(c) N/A.

(d) Funded from outsourced commercial contract arrangements for the externally leased café premises.

(e) Appliances used by café contractors.

(f) Maintenance of the equipment is the responsibility of the National Library of Australia. There has been no maintenance expenditure on this equipment for the period 14 September 2015 to 9 February 2016. Any maintenance expenditure is funded under the commercial contract arrangements for the externally leased café premises.

(g) There is expected to be minor ongoing maintenance costs of the appliances.

National Museum of Australia

1. No.

National Portrait Gallery

1. No.

The Museum of Australian Democracy

1. No.