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Communications Portfolio

Screen Australia

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Topic: Provision of equipment - departmental

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

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

- 1. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency to departmental staff? If yes provide a list of:
 - (a) What has been provided?
 - (b) The purchase cost.
 - (c) The ongoing cost.
 - (d) A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc).
 - (e) A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

Answer:

Other than desktop computers, the portfolio provides a range of electronic equipment to staff to assist them with undertaking their duties.

Equipment that can be provided where there is a business need includes (but is not limited to):

- laptops
- remote access tokens
- wireless internet dongles
- BlackBerry device
- mobile phones (e.g. iPhone, Nokia etc.)
- tablet computers (e.g. iPad)
- bluetooth headsets
- bluetooth car kits; and
- USB storage devices

It would be an unreasonable diversion of resources to attempt to provide the detail of the purchases, ongoing costs, and the staff and staff classifications for each item of equipment.