Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Budget Estimates Hearings May 2014

Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 537

Program No. 1.1

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Consultants

Senator Urquhart asked:

The Department was asked to take on notice questions in relation to previous engagement of consultants. To be clear Senator Conroy also asked "could you indicate if the former minister had any personal relationship with any of those consultants?"

Answer:

The Department is unable to comment as to the personal relationships of Ministers. The Department engages all consultants in accordance with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules.