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Topic: Cloud Services and Storage

Senator Ludwig asked:

1.   Is the department using or planning to use cloud digital services (e.g. storage, computer software access etc)? If yes:
2.   What date did/will cloud services be deployed in the department?
3.   Please provide a list of all cloud services in use or being considered for use.
4.   How much do these services cost? Please break down by service.
5.   How much cloud storage (in gigabytes) is available for departmental use? What percentage of the available total is in use?
6.   How much does this cloud storage cost per month?
7.   What security arrangements are in place to protect cloud based services and storage?
8.   Have any security analysts been employed / contracted to advise on the implementation and upkeep of these security arrangements?
9.   What has been the cost of security for the cloud? Please provide a breakdown.

Answer:

1. Currently the ACMA does not use any cloud digital services, however it is envisaged that cloud services could form part of our future ICT portfolio.
2. Deployment timeframes will be dependent on ICT project priorities and relevant service suitability, however it is envisaged that some cloud services could be in place in late 2015.
3. To be determined.
4. Not applicable.
5. Not applicable.
6. Not applicable.
7. Not applicable.
8. Not applicable.
9. Not applicable.