

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: RAM

Question: AET 2260-2261

Topic: Media monitoring

Reference: written - 19 February 2016

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

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

2260. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office during the specified period?

- a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?
- b) What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?
- c) Itemise these expenses.

2261. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency during the specified period?

- a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?
- b) What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?
- c) Itemise these expenses

Answer:

2260. Nil response.

2261. From end of September 2015 – end of February 2016, total cost was \$13,765.16.

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- b) From end of September 2015 – end of February 2016, total cost was \$13,765.16.
- c) Invoices do not itemise by topic and to attempt to provide information would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.