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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

TOPIC: Provision of Equipment – Ministerial

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QUESTION No.: SI-164

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone has been provided and the costs?
 - a) Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification
2. 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? If yes provide a list of:
 - a) What is 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

1. The Department provides Apple iPhone 6, Apple iPhone 5 or Blackberry Z30 to the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary and their staff. The purchase costs of these phones is undertaken through whole of government arrangements and is approximately \$830 for Apple iPhone 6, \$800 for iPhone 5 or \$670 for Blackberry Z30 (GST exclusive) per handset.
 - a. As at 31 October 2014, there are 15 mobile phones issued to the Minister’s Office (approximate equipment cost of \$11,930) and four mobile phones issued to the Parliamentary Secretary’s Office (approximate equipment cost of \$3,200).
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Equipment Provided	Purchase cost (GST exclusive)	Ongoing cost	Staff details
Tablets			
iPad	\$648	\$29 per month (2 year plan)	A small number of iPads have been issued
Laptops			
Dell Latitude 7440	\$1030	Nil	Staff with a business requirement to work remotely may be issued with a laptop

Wireless			
Telstra Mobile Wifi 4G	\$152	\$29 per month	Data cards are available to staff with a business requirement
USB Drives			
LOK-IT USB Flash Drive	\$131-\$150	Nil	Available to all staff with a business requirement on request
Accessories			
Replacement mobile chargers	\$50 (approx.)	Nil	Available to staff who have been allocated with a mobile device.