

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES, 22 OCTOBER 2015
Foreign Affairs Portfolio – ACIAR

No	Program: Division or Agency	Senator	Broad topic	Question	Proof Hansard, page & hearing date or Written Q	Date Rec'd	Date Tabled
1	ACIAR	Ludwig	Departmental Rebranding	<p>1. Has the department/Agency undergone a name change or any other form of rebranding since the leadership change in September, 2015? If so:</p> <p>a. Please detail why this name change / rebrand were considered necessary and a justified use of departmental funds?</p> <p>i. Please provide a copy of any reports that were commissioned to study the benefits and costs associated with the rebranding.</p> <p>b. Please provide the total cost associated with this rebrand and then break down by amount spent replacing:</p> <p>i. Signage.</p> <p>ii. Stationery (please include details of existing stationery and how it was disposed of).</p> <p>iii. Logos</p> <p>iv. Consultancy</p>	Written QoN	04/11/15	04/02/16

				<p>v. Any relevant IT changes.</p> <p>vi. Office reconfiguration.</p> <p>c. How was the decision reached to rename and/or rebrand the department?</p> <p>i. Who was involved in reaching this decision? ii. Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) from within the department, or between the department and the government regarding the rename/rebranding.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Following the changes does the department share any goods/services/accommodation with other departments? 2. What resources/services does the department share with other departments; are there plans to cease sharing the sharing of these resources/services? 3. What were the costs to the department prior to the Machinery of Government changes for these shared resources? What are the estimated costs after the ceasing of shared resource arrangements? 			
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2	ACIAR	Ludwig	Staffing - employment of non- Australian citizens	<p>I refer you to section 22 (8) of the Public Service Act 1999 which says:</p> <p>"An Agency Head must not engage, as an APS employee, a person who is not an Australian citizen, unless the Agency Head considers it appropriate to do so."</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the department have guidelines or similar to assist Agency Heads to assess when it is appropriate to hire non-Australian citizens? If no, do individual agencies have their own guidelines? If yes to either: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide a copy. 2. When did they come into effect? 3. Can Agency Heads decide to go against the advice? If yes, under what circumstances? 2. Are Agency Heads required to provide a reason to anyone for hiring non-Australian citizens? If yes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who are they required to report the reason to? 2. Does this reporting happen before or after the hire has been made? 	Written QoN	04/11/15	04/02/16
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