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Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

Senator WONG: Thank you. Are you able to tell me whether or not the equipment which has cost taxpayers \$31,000-plus has been used to produce photos or videos which are party political?

Ms Kelly: As I said, I am not aware of the day-to-day use of the equipment, but neither am I aware positively of the conduct that is implicit in your question having occurred.

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Senator WONG: Whilst doing that, can you take this on notice if you are not able to answer it today, Ms Kelly, or the minister can take it on notice. Can Prime Minister and Cabinet provide an assurance that no videos or photographs produced with equipment that Prime Minister and Cabinet has purchased for the Prime Minister have been provided to the Liberal Party for use?

Answer:

Refer to PM201 from Additional Estimates February 2015.