

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing—November 2013**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary Departments: Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Communications Staff**

Question No: **138**

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1) For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:

By Department or agency:

- a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.
 - b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location
 - c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location
 - d) How many are graphic designers?
 - e) How many are media managers?
 - f) How many organise events?
- 2) Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?

Answer

1) Communications staff as at 31 December 2013.

a) One ongoing staff member:

- 1 x PEL1, Strategy and Performance Branch; duties involve development and delivery of internal communication.

b) One non-ongoing staff member:

- 1 x PEL1, Strategy and Performance Branch; duties involve the development of relationships with both internal and external stakeholders, clients and customers. This role also encompasses an element of media liaison.

c) Nil

d) Nil

e) Nil

f) Nil

2) DPS provides broadcasting facilities for Parliament, but does not run independent media studios for its own benefit.