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Department: Parliamentary Budget Office

Topic: Consultancies

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Type of question: Written

Question

- 1. How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
- 2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.

Answer

- 1. Nil.
- 2. The Parliamentary Budget Office (PBO) is planning to engage a consultant to develop the PBO's Business Continuity Plan and Risk Management Framework. This consultancy is expected to cost less than \$40,000 and take less than three months to complete. The consultancy will be engaged through an existing panel arrangement. This consultancy was not published on the PBO's Annual Procurement Plan as it was not conducted through an open approach to market.