SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Group 3

Question No. 241

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 24 February 2014:

- 1) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date including any catering and drinks costs.
- 2) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 3) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 4) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 5) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 6) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 7) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 8) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 9) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

Date	Location	Purpose	Total Cost
1/11/2013	France	Stakeholder engagement - Law enforcement partners	\$553
11/11/2013	Finland	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$384
12/11/2013	Thailand	Stakeholder engagement - Israeli law enforcement	\$54
14/11/2013	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - Cyber Safety Pasifika	\$1,933
15/11/2013	UK	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$572
18/11/2013	China	Stakeholder engagement - Chinese Law enforcement	\$383
18/11/2013	Austria	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$196
18/11/2013	UK	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$128
21/11/2013	Hong Kong	Stakeholder engagement - Hong Kong Law Enforcement	\$775
25/11/2013	Papua New Guinea	Stakeholder engagement - Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea Police	\$1,327
25/11/2013	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement – Regional Forensics experts	\$764
5/12/2013	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - various regional AFP stakeholders	\$1,593
9/12/2013	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement - Royal Canadian Mounted Police delegation	\$511
9/12/2013	UK	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$205
11/12/2013	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - various regional AFP stakeholders	\$1,488
12/12/2013	UK	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$100
16/12/2013	UK	Stakeholder engagement - Local Law Enforcement	\$146
19/12/2013	Cairns	Stakeholder engagement - various regional AFP stakeholders	\$117
20/12/2013	Jervis Bay	Stakeholder engagement – various regional AFP stakeholders	\$206
20/12/2013	Adelaide	Stakeholder engagement – various regional AFP stakeholders	\$2,523
23/12/2013	Vietnam	Stakeholder engagement - Local Law Enforcement	\$136
8/01/2014	Thailand	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$175
15/01/2014	Canberra	UN Mission to South Sudan Debrief Dinner	\$1,307
15/01/2014	Fiji	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$497
17/01/2014	China	Stakeholder engagement - Chinese Law enforcement	\$296
19/01/2014	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement - Timor Leste Law enforcement	\$198
20/01/2014	Peru	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$48
20/01/2014	Indonesia	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$943
21/01/2014	Fiji	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$88
22/01/2014	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - Timor Leste Law enforcement	\$176
22/01/2014	Pakistan	Stakeholder engagement - Local Law Enforcement	\$416
22/01/2014	Vietnam	Stakeholder engagement - Local Law Enforcement	\$77
23/01/2014	Canberra	Community Engagement - Aboriginal Justice Group	\$45
27/01/2014	Thailand	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$106

30/01/2014	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - Chinese Law Enforcement	\$234	
30/01/2014	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - Columbian Law Enforcement.		
30/01/2014	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement - Royal Canadian Mounted Police delegation	\$436	
30/01/2014	China	Stakeholder engagement - Local Law Enforcement	\$344	
31/01/2014	Melbourne	Stakeholder engagement - Thai law enforcement	\$350	
31/01/2014	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement - Egyptian Forensics delegation	\$218	
4/02/2014	Canberra	Afghanistan reintegration dinner	\$836	
5/02/2014	Philippines	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$603	
6/02/2014	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - UK law enforcement	\$338	
7/02/2014	Melbourne	Stakeholder engagement - Brunei delegation	\$247	
11/02/2014	Canberra	UN Women's Luncheon	\$2,909	
12/02/2014	Melbourne	Stakeholder engagement - State Law Enforcement partners	\$197	
12/02/2014	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement - Hong Kong Law Enforcement	\$179	
12/02/2014	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - French Law Enforcement	\$225	
13/02/2014	Brisbane	Stakeholder engagement - State Law Enforcement partners	\$215	
13/02/2014	Tonga	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$63	
14/02/2014	Brisbane	Stakeholder engagement - State Law Enforcement partners	\$551	
14/02/2014	Hong Kong	Stakeholder engagement - Hong Kong Law Enforcement	\$521	
14/02/2014	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - Royal Canadian Mounted Police delegation	\$915	
14/02/2014	Vietnam	Stakeholder engagement - Local Law Enforcement	\$211	
18/02/2014	Adelaide	Stakeholder engagement - State Law Enforcement partners	\$71	
19/02/2014	Pakistan	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$971	
19/02/2014	Papua New Guinea	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$1,477	
20/02/2014	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - Malaysian Law enforcement	\$385	
20/02/2014	Japan	Stakeholder engagement - Local law enforcement	\$219	
21/02/2014	Sydney	Stakeholder engagement - Malaysian Law enforcement	\$209	
24/02/2014	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement - Singapore law enforcement	\$113	
24/02/2014	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement - Singapore law enforcement	\$442	
25/02/2014	Canberra	Stakeholder engagement - Singapore law enforcement	\$223	
26/02/2014	Tonga	Stakeholder engagement - Local Law Enforcement	\$148	
Total			\$32,551	

- 2. The Australian Federal Police is not responsible for meeting these costs.
- 3. Please see answer to question 1.
- 4. The Australian Federal Police is not responsible for meeting these costs.
- 5. As spending on hospitality is general ad hoc in nature, there are no specific plans in place for hospitality or entertainment. However, it is expected these activities will be provided as part of conducting the normal course of the agency's operations during the remainder of the financial year and next financial year.
- 6. The Australian Federal Police is not responsible for meeting these costs.
- 7. Please see the answer to question 5.
- 8. The Australian Federal Police is not responsible for meeting these costs.
- 9. The Australian Federal Police is reviewing supplier expenditure items to seek cost reductions where appropriate. There are no specific plans for changes to the current arrangements in relation to Hospitality and Entertainment.