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

Program: General

Question No. AE16/100

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 9 February 2016:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. How much has been spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio to date?
 - 1. Detail the items provided to the minister's office.
 - 2. Please specify how many reams of paper have been supplied to the Minister's office.
- 2. How much has been spent on departmental stationary requirements to date.
- 3. Has any customised stationery been requested or provided to the Minister or Ministerial Staff? If yes, please include a photo/scan, detail the type of stationary, date it was requested, date it was provided and the cost.

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

- 1. The Attorney-General's Department spent approximately \$4,851 on office stationery requirements for the ministers' offices.
 - 1-2. To provide detailed information on the items provided to the ministers' offices would require an unreasonable diversion of resources.

2. Please see the table below.

Department/Agency	Expenditure
Attorney-General's Department	\$241,473.79
Administrative Appeals Tribunal (14/9/15 – 16/2/16)	\$99,231.55 (excluding
	GST)
Australian Crime Commission	\$13,935.21
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	\$3,801.06
Australian Federal Police (1/9/2015 – 31/1/2016)	\$970,479
Australian Financial Security Authority	\$66,666.17
Australian Human Rights Commission	\$10,558.12 (excluding
	GST)
Australian Institute of Criminology	\$2,499
Australian Law Reform Commission	\$515.50
Australian Security Intelligence Organisation	The cost code that
	includes stationery costs
	also includes a vast
	range of other office
	consumables (bathroom,
	cleaning products, etc).
	The time it would take to
	separate stationery costs
	from other consumables
	would be an

	unreasonable diversion	
	of resources.	
Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre	\$24,731.65	
CrimTrac	\$28,064.34	
Family Court of Australia and Federal Circuit Court of Australia	\$270,277	
Federal Court of Australia	\$56,070	
High Court of Australia	\$26,808	
National Archives of Australia	\$20,660.66	
Office of the Australian Information Commissioner	\$2,111.85	
Office of the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions	\$90,133.08	
Office of Parliamentary Counsel	\$13,585	

3. The following items have been provided to the portfolio ministers and/or their staff:

Item	Date Requested	Cost	Date Provided
MFJO – Business Cards	16/09/2015	\$420.00	08/10/2015
AGO – 500 A4 folded letterhead	08/10/2015	\$1298.00	19/11/2015
AGO – Business cards	26/10/2015	\$473.00	25/11/2015
MFJO – Business Cards	10/11/2015	\$303.00	08/04/2016
AGO – Business Cards	12/11/2015	\$1,085.00	20/11/2015
AGO – 2000 C4 Envelopes	20/11/2015	\$540.00	07/12/2015
AGO – 2000 C5 Envelopes	20/11/2015	\$350.00	07/12/2015
AGO – 2000 DL Envelopes	20/11/2015	\$335.00	07/12/2015
AGO – 2000 C3 Envelopes	20/11/2015	\$930.00	07/12/2015
MFJO – Christmas Cards	23/11/2015	\$297.50	14/12/2015
AGO – Business Cards	26/11/2015	\$259.00	15/12/2015
AGO – Business Cards	12/02/2016	\$204.00	23/03/2016