#### **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

# ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 08 February 2016

### IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

# (AE16/105) - Media subscriptions - Internal Product (DIBP)

Senator Ludwig, Joe (L&CA) written:

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

- 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- 1. Please provide a list of channels and the reason for each channel.
- 2. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 3. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- 4. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- 1. Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
- 2. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 3. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- 4. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
- 1. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
- 2. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 3. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- 4. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
- 1. Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.
- 2. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?
- 3. What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- 4. What has been the cost of this package/s during the specified period?

### Answer:

- 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
  - The Department subscribes to Foxtel/Austar's News Channels.
    Further detail on the specific channels is not readily available. To source this information would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
  - 2. From 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016, the Department spent approximately \$1622.60.
  - 3. Nil.
  - 4. Not Applicable.
- 2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/ agency have?
  - The Department subscribes to a range of newspapers to support quality decision making. Further details on the specific newspapers subscribed to is not readily available in the Department's financial information system and providing it would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.

- 2. From 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016, the Department has spent approximately \$30,059.94. This figure includes that spent on newspaper subscriptions for the Minister/their office.
- 3. The Department provides the Minister's office with:
  - The Age,
  - The Australian,
  - The Courier Mail,
  - The Financial Review,
  - Melbourne Herald Sun,
  - Sydney Morning Herald,
  - Daily Telegraph
- 4. From 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016, the Department has spent approximately \$2,216.69 on newspaper subscriptions for the Minister/their office.
- 3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?
  - 1. This information is not readily available in the Department's financial information system and providing it would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
  - 2. This information is not readily available in the Department's financial information system and providing it would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
  - 3. Nil.
  - 4. Not Applicable.
- 4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?
  - The Department purchases a range of publications to support quality decision making. Further details on the specific publications purchased is not readily available in the Department's financial information system and providing it would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
  - 2. From 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016, the Department has spent approximately \$26,959.62.
  - 3. Nil.
  - 4. Not Applicable.