QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/481) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
- b) What is the cost from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?
- d) What is the cost for this from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?

Answer:

- a) The information is not readily available from the portfolio's financial information system and providing it would require an unreasonable diversion of resources. The portfolio subscribes to a range of newspapers to support quality decision making.
- b) From 1 February 2014 to 31 May 2014, the portfolio spent approximately \$31 812.
- c) The portfolio provides the following newspapers to the Minister and the Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection:
 - The Australian
 - Daily Telegraph
 - Sydney Morning Herald
 - Australian Financial Review
 - The Age
 - The Canberra Times
 - The West Australian
 - Herald Sun
- d) From 1 February 2014 to 31 May 2014 the cost was \$1 199.