QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/482) PROGRAMME - Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a) Please provide a list of magazine 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 provides magazines to people held in detention facilities and to its staff to support quality decision making.
- b) From 1 February 2014 to 31 May 2014, the portfolio spent approximately \$136 345.
- c) The portfolio does not provide magazine subscriptions to the Minister or the Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.
- d) Not applicable.