

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates 30 May – 1 June 2006

Question: bet 8 (CAMAC)

Topic: Cost of external legal services during 2005-2006

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Senator LUDWIG asked:

- (1) What sum did the department or agency spend during 2005-2006 on external legal services (including private firms, the Australian Government Solicitor and any others).
- (2) What sum did the department or agency spend on internal legal services.
- (3) What is the department or agency's projected expenditure on legal services for 2006-2007.

Answer:

- (1) Nil.
- (2) The role of CAMAC is to provide legal policy advice to the Federal Government, either on its own initiative or at the request of the government. Its total budget can therefore be attributed to the provision of internal legal services, if that term is understood in the manner described in this answer.
- (3) Nil on external legal services and as per (2) for internal legal services.