## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS QUESTION

(Supplementary Budget Estimates 20 October – 21 October)

Question: SBT 151

**Topic: Hospitality Spend** 

Senator Bushby asked:

What is the Department's hospitality spend since Budget Estimates 2010? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.

For each Minister/Parl Sec's office, please detail total hospitality spend FYTD. Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.

## **Answer:**

Hospitality spend since Budget Estimates 2010 is \$79,000, which includes expenditure on stakeholders and stakeholder related functions.

To extract detail regarding date, location, purpose and individual event costs from ASIC's financial management information system would require the review of each individual invoice and could take a staff member an unreasonable amount of time having regard to the level of expenditure on this item.

ASIC did not incur any hospitality expenses for the Minister or Parlimentary Secretary's office.

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