

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee
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Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)

AusAID Question No.	Program: Division or Agency	Senator	Broad topic	Question	Proof Hansard, page & hearing date or Written Q	Date rec'd	Date tabled
1	AusAID	Boyce	TB Clinics in the Torres Strait	How many clinics does the extra \$146,000 funding for joint handover clinics provide?	Hansard Page 83	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
2	AusAID	Boyce	TB Clinics in the Torres Strait	Where have the extra patients been going during the construction of the interim TB isolation ward?	Hansard Page 83	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
3	AusAID	Boyce	TB Clinics in the Torres Strait	Is there a functional overhead X-ray unit in the Daru hospital? How many patients have been X-rayed in the hospital in the last two quarters?	Hansard Page 84	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
4	AusAID	Boyce	TB Clinics in the Torres Strait	Can you confirm that no Papua New Guinean patient who previously accessed the TB clinics in the Torres Strait has gone untreated since they have gone back to PNG?	Hansard Page 85	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
5	AusAID	Boyce	TB Clinics in the Torres Strait	When did AusAID first become aware of the need - and was a request made to you - to invest in TB services in the South Fly region of PNG?	Hansard Page 86	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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6	AusAID	Rhiannon	TB Clinics in the Torres Strait	1. Will the transfer of all PNG nationals currently being treated at TSI clinics be completed as planned in February 2012? 2. What improvements have been made to Daru hospital to accommodate for additional persons accessing TB services? What limitations still exist? 3. Can the Government ensure that all patients at Daru Hospital have adequate and consistent access to the required TB treatment services? 4. What is the Government's strategy for tackling the high incidence of TB and MDR-TB in PNG?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
7	AusAID	Rhiannon	Sri Lanka	Could you provide details of the aid programs that you have in the north-east of Sri Lanka and other areas that are predominantly made up of Tamil communities?	Hansard Page 98	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
8	AusAID	Rhiannon	Sri Lanka	Background: We want to get a sense about aid money going to SL; particularly to Tamils or to North East. Can you detail any aid going to North East of Sri Lanka or any other aid projects directed at Tamil communities in SL. Please detail what those projects are, how much money, which organisations you work with?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
9	AusAID	Ludlam	Burma	Is it possible to provide a geographic breakdown by region of where aid to Burma is distributed?	Hansard Page 87	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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10	AusAID	Rhiannon	Cambodian maternal and child health strategy	AusAID has announced a funding round based on partnering with NGOs to support the Cambodian maternal and child health strategy. It might be called Partnering to Save Lives. I think that this is a priority for the Cambodian government. Will AusAID support NGOs to provide programs in the context of the Cambodian government priority? Will they be comprehensive sexual and reproductive health programs?	Hansard Page 95	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
11	AusAID	Rhiannon	Cambodia Railways Project	From reading the external Social Monitoring Reports from RediCam Group with interest on the Cambodian Railways project, my understanding is that there is, or at least was, a separate Australian funded position reviewing resettlement work. 1. Has their project reports ever been released? 2. If so would AusAID consider doing so under proactive disclosure?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
12	AusAID	Rhiannon	Mekong mainstream dams	Follow up questions regarding the Mekong mainstream dams 1. To clarify, is the \$1 million for the Mekong Delta study that Australia has agreed to support the study entitled MONRE REOI: Delta Study on the impacts of Mekong mainstream hydropower? Australia is the sole funder for the MRC's Procedures for Notification, Prior Consultation and Agreement (PNPCA) and Australia has acknowledged that there have been some shortcomings regarding the Xayaburi Dam's PNPCA and prior consultation process. 2. Does Australia plan to carry out a review of the PNPCA and its implementation?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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				3. What measures is Australia taking to evaluate the success of its funding to the PNPCA? 4. What outcomes does Australia seek to obtain by providing funding for the PNPCA process, and does Australia consider these outcomes to have been met? Australia and possibly the Mekong River Commission (MRC) are under the view that the PNPCA for Xayaburi Dam has not yet concluded. However, the government of Lao PDR on numerous occasions has publicly stated that the process is complete, which the government of Thailand used as justification for the signing of the dam's Power Purchase Agreement on October 29th, 2011. 5. What measures has Australia taken or does Australia plan to take to clarify the different understandings held between the MRC member countries regarding the current status of the Xayaburi Dam's PNPCA? Preparatory construction on the Xayaburi Dam has been underway since late 2010 and the government of Lao PDR and Xayaburi's main dam builder, Ch. Karnchang, have indicated that construction activities will continue even while further study is carried out as agreed at the December MRC Council meeting. 6. As this no longer appears to be a hypothetical question, how will the continued construction of the Xayaburi Dam impact Australia's aid to Lao PDR and the MRC? 7. What steps is Australia taking to develop an appropriate response to this situation?			
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				8. What risks do the Mekong Mainstream Dams pose to Australia's foreign aid? 9. To what extent would the Mekong Mainstream Dams pose a risk to Australia's aid programs in the region for poverty alleviation, food security, sustainable development, and regional cooperation? 10. Why is the Australian government so heavily supporting the Challenge Program on Water and Food when the program is clearly promoting hydropower development in the region at the expense of other, potentially more sustainable options for meeting energy needs?			
13	AusAID	Rhiannon	Private companies administering aid	Please provide a list of private companies contracted to administer aid in 2010/2011 and the value of the contracts in each case? Please provide the total value of aid contracts going to GRM?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
14	AusAID	Rhiannon	Tuberculosis/HIV Cross Infection Rates	1. Given that the leading killer of people living with HIV is TB, does the Government have a firm policy and strategy for treating TB amongst people living with HIV? 2. Can the Government give examples of where these programs are being successfully implemented?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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15	AusAID	Rhiannon	Mining for Development Initiative	Could you provide more information about the Mining for Development Initiative and also the mining related projects prior to the AMDI announcement? Which Australian mining companies were involved in the study tours? Could you provide the details of those programs that will be provided under this initiative?	Hansard Page 108	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
16	AusAID	Eggleston	Zimbabwe	What was the cost of the establishment of the AusAID office in Zimbabwe?	Hansard Page 100	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
17	AusAID	Eggleston	Africa	What programs are you running in African countries?	Hansard Page 101	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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18	AusAID	Boswell	Palestinian Authority	Like most western countries, Australia does not engage with, or provide funding to, Hamas, which is a proscribed terrorist organisation under Australian legislation. However, in May 2011 the PA and Hamas signed a Fatah-Hamas power-sharing agreement brokered by Egypt intended to bridge the Palestinian geographical and factional divide and to clear the way for PA presidential and parliamentary elections in 2012. The unity agreement also appears to have taken a step forward with the PA and Hamas announcing on 6 February 2012, that they have agreed in principle that current PA President Mahmoud Abbas should assume the role of Prime Minister in an interim Palestinian unity government. Given that Australia considers Hamas a terrorist organisation and that Hamas refuses to recognise Israel or renounce violence: a) If the PA enters into a power sharing arrangement with Hamas, would the Australian government cease funding to the PA ? b) Given that this funding Agreement was made in September 2011, the Australian government would have been aware of that a power sharing relationship with Hamas and Fatah was in the works? Why didn't the Agreement deal with this possibility? c) Will Australia apply new conditions to a Fatah-Hamas unity government?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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19	AusAID	Boswell	APHEDA	AusAID partners include Union-aid Abroad APHEDA (APHEDA) AusAID provides funding to APHEDA and APHEDA funds Ma'an Development Centre (MDC). MDC is involved in the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) campaign against Israel. AusAID has stated in its response to questions on notice June 2011, that MDC and APHEDA have confirmed that no AusAID funds are used in any of its BDS activities. AusAID also stated that "if AusAID believed any of its funds were being used for the BDS campaign it would reconsider its funding to APHEDA." What investigations were undertaken by AusAID to ensure that no AusAID funds were being used towards BDS by MDC or APHEDA?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
20	AusAID	Rhiannon	Multilateral Debt Relief Initiative	How much did AusAID provide to the Multilateral Debt Relief Initiative managed by the World Bank? How much is left to pay? Does the AusAID money go into a general pool or does AusAID track which countries receive their debt relief and what conditions are imposed on those countries?	Hansard Page 106	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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21	AusAID	Rhiannon	Multilateral Development Banks	Please provide list of AusAID funding in 2010/11 to selected multilateral organisations, broken down to WB, ADB, UNICEF, WFP, Global Fund, UNHCR, WHO, ICRC, ILO. The table below is from 2009/10. <table><tr><th></th><th>Core Funding (\$ million)</th><th>Earmarked Funding (\$ million)</th><th>Total Funding (\$ million)</th></tr><tr><td>World Bank</td><td>160.3</td><td>305.7</td><td>466.0</td></tr><tr><td>ADB</td><td>54.6</td><td>77.0</td><td>131.6</td></tr><tr><td>UNICEF</td><td>19.6</td><td>88.5</td><td>108.1</td></tr><tr><td>UNDP</td><td>14.6</td><td>55.8</td><td>70.4</td></tr><tr><td>WFP</td><td>30.0</td><td>20.5</td><td>50.5*</td></tr><tr><td>Global Fund</td><td>46.5</td><td>0</td><td>46.5</td></tr><tr><td>UNHCR</td><td>14.3</td><td>28.1</td><td>42.4</td></tr><tr><td>WHO</td><td>13.0</td><td>23.3</td><td>36.3</td></tr><tr><td>ICRC</td><td>16.0</td><td>19.3</td><td>35.3#</td></tr><tr><td>ILO</td><td>3.8</td><td>20.3</td><td>24.1</td></tr></table>		Core Funding (\$ million)	Earmarked Funding (\$ million)	Total Funding (\$ million)	World Bank	160.3	305.7	466.0	ADB	54.6	77.0	131.6	UNICEF	19.6	88.5	108.1	UNDP	14.6	55.8	70.4	WFP	30.0	20.5	50.5*	Global Fund	46.5	0	46.5	UNHCR	14.3	28.1	42.4	WHO	13.0	23.3	36.3	ICRC	16.0	19.3	35.3#	ILO	3.8	20.3	24.1	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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22	AusAID	Rhiannon	Parallel financing arrangements	1. Is any data available for the 2010/11 year on parallel financing, or plans to provide this? 2. Which of the AusAID projects fall into the parallel financing category?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012																																												

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23	AusAID	Rhiannon	Rules Governing Small NGOs	Concerns have been raised with me that AusAID policy and practice discriminates against small NGOs (like SAWA) in relation to • Tax deductability (for internationally-oriented NGOs cf NGOs raising money for Australian 'charities') • AusAID grant scheme (AusAID's Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP) which is oriented towards large NGOs and makes it hard for small ones to participate) 1. Can you pls provide the amount and actual percentage of aid budget going to small single-country NGOs versus multinational NGOs and multilateral development banks in 2010/11? 2. How does this compare to previous years? 3. Thru your NGO Cooperation Program, what is the breakdown of funding going to small NGOs versus larger NGOs? 4. Do you acknowledge the important job of small NGOs and what measures do you have in place to open up the program?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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24	AusAID	Kroger	Climate Change	1. What AusAID projects in the last twelve months have been climate change specific, including projects in the Independent Pacific Island Nations? 2. Can AusAID please give a detailed account of the overall expenses associated with the climate change related initiatives outlined in response to question one? 3. Will the Department please outline how these expenditures rate against the new benchmarks set by the Hollway review, such as the new 'country strategy' process? 4. Will the Department please confirm if 'climate change' is defined as one of the flagship sectors for country programs as identified by the Hollway review?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
25	AusAID	Humphries	Contractors	How many contractors are currently employed in the department/agency? How many contractors have been under contract for a period of more than 2 years? How many contractors have been under contract for a period of more than 5 years? How many contractors have been under contract for a period of more than 10 years? Does the department/agency make a habit of employing contractors to fill positions on a permanent basis?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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26	AusAID	Humphries	Efficiency Dividend	What is the effect of the efficiency dividend increase from 1.5 percent to 4 percent on the department/agency's budget bottom line during financial years 2012/13, 13/14, 14/15? What percentage of the department/agency's budget is designated to staffing? What is the size of the department/agency's staffing establishment? Include figures for FTE, PT, casual, contractors, and consultants. What specific strategies will the department/agency adopt to ensure continued operation within budget? Will or has consideration been made to reducing staffing compliment including contractors, and consultants?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
27	AusAID	Kroger	Social Media	1. Recommendation 38, which The Government has agreed to adopt (according to the Government's response to the Hollway review), highlights the need for AusAID to engage further with the Australian Public and suggests the use of Social Media Networks such as Twitter, YouTube etc to achieve this goal. Does AusAID's currently have a budget for social media? If so, what is this budget?	Written	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
28	AusAID	McEwen	Reducing adviser numbers (PNG)	By reducing the number of advisers in PNG by an additional 70 over and above the number of advisers recommended to be phased out in the Joint Adviser Review, what will be the size of the savings to be reallocated to other programs?	92	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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29	AusAID	Eggleston	Mine action program.	Expressed an interest to see full details of AusAID's mine action program.	101	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
30	AusAID	Eggleston	Consultancies	How many consultancies were undertaken in 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10? How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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31	AusAID	Eggleston	Legal costs	What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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32	AusAID	Eggleston	Efficiency dividend	How will the efficiency dividend applied in the 2011-12 Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook be implemented in your agency/department? What percentage of your budget must be cut? Will any staff position be cut to meet the efficiency dividend? If yes, provide details of where the positions are located, the classification, whether the position is ongoing or not. Please list where and what spending has been reduced to meet the efficiency dividend	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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33	AusAID	Eggleston	Government Advertising	What was the total cost of all advertising for 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11? For each of those years, list whether the advertising is campaign or non-campaign and details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services. Did the Department of Finance and Deregulation provide any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item. Did the Advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Provide the details for each advertising item. Provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services. What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the Department/Agency undertaking, or are planning to undertake?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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34	AusAID	Eggleston	Social Media	Has there been any changes to department and agency social media or protocols about staff access and useage of Youtube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since publication of the Australian Public Service Commission's Circular 2012/1: Revisions to the Commission's guidance on making public comment and participating online? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issue. If no, please explain why not.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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35	AusAID	Eggleston	Media Training	In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date: 1.Total spending on these services 2.The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 3.The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted 4.The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide: - a)The name and nature of the service purchased - b)Whether the service is one-on-one or group based - c)The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification - d)The total number of hours involved for all employees - e)The total amount spent on the service - f)A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: - a)The location used - b)The number of employees who took part on each occasion - c)The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part - d)Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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36	AusAID	Eggleston	Training for Portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries	For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for staff of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for designed to better suit the needs of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for, and how many employees attended and their classification.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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37	AusAID	Eggleston	Community Cabinets	What was the cost of Ministers travel and expenses for the Community Cabinet meetings held this financial year to date? How many Ministerial Staff travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? What was the total cost of this travel? How many Departmental officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? What was the total cost of this travel? List travel type, accommodate and any other expenses. What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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38	AusAID	Eggleston	Freedom of Information	Has the Department/agency received any advice on how to respond to FOI requests? What was the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for 2009-10 and 2010-11? What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date? How many FOI requests did the Department receive for the financial year 2009-10 and 2010-11? For each financial year, how many requests were denied and how many were granted? Did the department fail to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date? How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted? Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many? Do any of these requests remain outstanding?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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39	AusAID	Eggleston	Government stationery requirements	How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (i.e. paper, envelopes, with compliments slips) this financial year to date?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
40	AusAID	Eggleston	Board Appointments	List all of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio? Please detail any board appointments for this financial year to date.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
41	AusAID	Eggleston	Reviews	For this financial year to date: •How many Reviews are being undertaken? •What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded •Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? •When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? •What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews? •What reviews are planned? •When will each of these reviews be concluded?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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42	AusAID	Eggleston	Commissioned Reports	How many reports were commissioned by the government in your portfolio in 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11? How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your portfolio this financial year to date? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. •How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level? •That is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
43	AusAID	Eggleston	Education expenses	For this financial year to date, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant. Also include the reason for the study	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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44	AusAID	Eggleston	Staffing	How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? How many non ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
45	AusAID	Eggleston	Staffing	How many ongoing staff left in the year 2010-11? What classification were these staff? How many non ongoing staff left in the year 2010-11? What classification were these staff?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
46	AusAID	Eggleston	Staffing	Are there any plans for staff reduction? If so, please advise details ie. reduction target, how this will be achieved, services/programs to be cut etc. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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47	AusAID	Eggleston	Staffing	Please list the SES positions have you in your department/agency in the years 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11 and financial year to date. Identify the different levels and how many are permanent positions.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
48	AusAID	Eggleston	Staffing	How many graduates have been engaged this year? Where have they been placed in the department/agency? Were these empty positions or are they new positions? List what training will be provided, the name of the provider and the cost.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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49	AusAID	Eggleston	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date: 1.Total spending on these services 2.The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 3.The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted 4.The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: a)The name and nature of the service purchased b)Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c)The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification d)The total number of hours involved for all employees e)The total amount spent on the service f)A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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50	AusAID	Eggleston	Paid Parental Leave	Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff are in receipt of these payments.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
51	AusAID	Eggleston	Provision of equipment	Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided. What equipment is provided to department/agency staff? Please list what the equipment is, the cost, the classification of the staff receiving the equipment and the reason why.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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52	AusAID	Eggleston	Media Monitoring	What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11? What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for this financial year to date? • Which agency or agencies provided these services? • What is the estimated budget to provide this same services for the year 2011-12? • What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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53	AusAID	Eggleston	Hospitality and Entertainment	What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event. What is the Department's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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54	AusAID	Eggleston	Grants	Has the Department complied with interim requirements relating to the publication of discretionary grants?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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55	AusAID	Eggleston	Contractors	•Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details. •Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details. •Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details. •Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details. •Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details. •Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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56	AusAID	Eggleston	Discretionary Grants	Could the Department provide a list of all discretionary grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants. Has the Department complied with interim requirements relating to the publication of discretionary grants?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
57	AusAID	Eggleston	Government payments of accounts	For this financial year to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e.within 30 days)? If not, why not, and what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached) •For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year? •Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012

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58	AusAID	Eggleston	Media subscription	Does your department or agencies within your portfolio subscribe to pay TV (for example Foxtel)? •If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels. •What is the estimated cost for 2011-12? •What is the cost for this financial year to date? Does your department or agencies within your portfolio subscribe to newspapers? •If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers. •What is the estimated cost for 2011-12? •What is the cost for this financial year to date? Does your department or agencies within your portfolio subscribe to magazines? •If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines. •What is the estimated cost for 2011-12? •What is the cost for this financial year to date?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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59	AusAID	Eggleston	Travel costs	For the financial year to date, please provide the same information (itemised separately) for any Minister and Parliamentary staff that accompanied the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary on their travel and include a similar breakdown of the costs incurred by or on behalf of those staff. For the financial year to date, please provide the same information (itemised separately) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary on their travel and include a similar breakdown of the costs incurred by or on behalf of those staff. For the financial year to date, please detail all travel (itemised separately) undertaken by employees of each department and agency within each portfolio. Include details of what the travel was for, what cost was spent on travel (including travel type – i.e. business airfare), accommodation, security, food, beverages (alcohol listed separately), gifts, entertainment, and all other expenses. Are employees taking the most direct route when travelling? If not, please explain why. Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the cost per employee. When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as their Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
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60	AusAID	Eggleston	Corporate cars	How many cars are owned by each department and agency in your portfolio? Where is the car/s located? What is the car/s used for? What is the cost of each car for this financial year to date? How far did each car travel this financial year to date?	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
61	AusAID	Eggleston	Taxi costs	How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012
62	AusAID	Eggleston	Printing of Documents	Does the department/agency print any hard copies of reports/statements/papers they produce? If yes, please list how many copies, where they are delivered and the cost.	Written (9/3/2012)	23/3/2012	10/5/2012