Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE—BUDGET ESTIMATES, 30-31 MAY 2011

Q No.	Program: Division or Agency	Senator	Broad topic	Question	Proof Hansard, page & hearing date or Written Q	Date rec'd	Date tabled
1.	1.11 Capability	Johnston	Major Capital Program	How many times did you go to Cabinet in 2009-10 and 2010-11 in relation to the Major Capital Program?	30 May 2011 p 16	16.08.11	25.08.11
2.	1.11 Capability	Johnston	Air Warfare Destroyer Project	(a) When did the payment slip for the AWD project?(b) What was the previous year's slippage?	30 May 2011 p 17	16.08.11	25.08.11
3.	1.11 Capability	Humphries	First/Second Pass Approval Targets	What is your version of the first and second pass approval targets (versus what's in the ASPI Report)?	30 May 2011 p 30	16.08.11	25.08.11
4.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Submarine Fleet	How much has it cost to support/maintain the submarine fleet per year? Are we at \$700 million per year for support and sustainment?	30 May 2011 p 38	12.10.11	13.10.11
5.	1.9 VCDF	Johnston	Number of Defence Civilians in Theatre	How many Defence civilians are in theatre?	30 May 2011 p 49-50	15.08.11	25.08.11
6.	1.1 Capability Acquisition	Johnston	T-BAS Body Armour	With relation to T-BAS, what are you doing to objectively assess its acceptance? Will they wear it on the field or not?	30 May 2011 p 50	16.08.11	25.08.11
7.	1.12 Chief Finance Officer	Humphries	Minor Project Approvals	 (a) When did the changes in minor project approvals occur? (b) Is it a part reversal of Mr Combet's decision as MINDM? (c) What Ministerial position did Minister Combet occupy when the threshold increased from \$50m to \$100m? 	30 May 2011 p 62-63	16.08.11	25.08.11
8.	1.6 Defence Support	Johnston Macdonald	Legal Costs in Dismissal	 (a) Was the matter ever scheduled for hearing? (b) What were the legal costs for Ms Wolfe? Include pre-certificate, post-certificate and post order. (c) Did the lawyers draft the certificate? (d) How many affadavits were filed and who were they deponants? (e) How much was the lost earnings paid to Ms Wolfe? (f) Can the Committee see the bill for legal advice for this matter? (g) Who paid the costs within Defence/DMO? Also include copies of the bills. (h) Is the "third respondent" the DMO? (i) How many DMO personnel were involved up until the court order? (j) How many DMO personnel were involved before the application for the certificate? (k) How much did it cost the DMO to seek the advice of the Solicitor-General (in addition to the AGS)? 	30 May 2011 p 56-59, 65-77	Attachm ent rec'd 22.08.11	25.08.11 25.08.11
9.	1.1 OSCDF	Humphries	Cabinet Documents	(a) What types of documents are the 31 that can't be located (referenced to QoN W21 from Additional Estimates)?(b) Are there any concerns that these documents may have left the department	30 May 2011 p 95	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				and now be a security risk? (c) What steps is the department taking to locate these documents? (d) Please provide the date range for the missing documents? (e) In what ways were the 15 destroyed documents destroyed? (f) Has the department previously lost Cabinet documents?			
10.	1.6 Defence Support	Johnston	Energy Efficiency Infrastructure	 (a) Where does the \$70 tonne of greenhouse gas figure come from for energy efficiency infrastructure works? (b) Who signed off on the figure? (c) Please provide all costs that flow from using the figure ie. how much of the budget has been geared to that figure? (d) What are the consequences for the figure in terms of the payback period? (e) Please provide all professional advice sought in arriving at that figure? (f) Provide any other documentation, manuals or cost evaluations that base a carbon price per tonne at all and what those numbers are and where they come from? 	30 May 2011 p 96-97	16.08.11	25.08.11
11.	1.6 Defence Support	Johnston	CIVCAS Incident - Legal Costs	(a) What is the status of the legal fees for the two individuals involved in the court martial for the 12 February 2009 civilian casualty trials?(b) What is the cost of legal fees for the individuals involved?	30 May 2011 p 100	16.08.11	25.08.11
12.	1.13 People Strategies and Policy	Johnston	APS Remote Posting Allowance	 (a) What is the maximum APS remote posting allowance and how do we determine that maximum? (b) Is Exmouth at the maximum? If not, why not? (c) Is it a matter of commonality across agencies or just Defence, and if so, how do we determine it? (d) What is the mechanism for review? 	30 May 2011 p 106	16.08.11	25.08.11
13.	1.9 VCDF	Macdonald	Budget for Cadets	How much money is set aside for Cadets in the PBS/Budget over the last 3 financial years (to show trend)?	30 May 2011 p 108	16.08.11	25.08.11
14.	1.9 VCDF	Ludlam	Afghanistan – Aid Funding	With reference to a \$215m figure quoted in a 25 May Brendan Nicholson article, does the ADF disperse aid funding in Afghanistan? If so, how?	30 May 2011 p 118	16.08.11	25.08.11
15.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Ludlam	Fuel Prices and Usage	What information do we have on fuel prices and usage, both in litres and cost, as well as CO2 emissions?	30 May 2011 p 119	16.08.11	25.08.11
16.	1.1 OSCDF	Ludlam	US Command Central Funding Program	With regard to a document titled "Knowledge of Fire", by CARE Afghan Ministry and relating to the US Command Central Funding Program. Can you advise if those funds are made available to Australian ADF members?	30 May 2011 p 119	15.08.11	25.08.11
17.	1.1 Capability Acquisition	Macdonald	Purchase of Largs Bay	(a) Please provide the details of the purchase and cost of modifications to the Largs Bay.(b) Could the Secretary write to the Committee when the deal is done?	30 May 2011 p 122-124	23.08.11	25.08.11

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				(c) How much will we pay for the current Largs Bay crew that will be remaining with the ship as part of the training for our people?	_		
18.	1.1 OSCDF	Trood	Estimates QON Responses to Minister	How many QON responses from Additional Estimates were provided to the Minister on 6 April 2011?	30 May 2011 p 126	12.10.11	13.10.11
19.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	HMAS Farncombe	What will be the cost of the repair to the propulsion unit of HMAS Farncombe under warranty?	31 May 2011 p 12-13	16.08.11	25.08.11
20.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Collins Submarines	 With regard to Collins submarines: (a) In relation to AEs, please provide an update on the obsolescence of AN/BYG combat systems being installed into the Collins Class submarines? If none have been installed, then why not? (b) In relation to four underwater telephones (TEUM4), please provide the installation cost and reasons why they were not installed? (c) What else has been purchased but not installed? (d) In relation to SEA 1439 Phase 5B2 (External Communications EW), who are the companies involved in this project? (e) We have gone from an EHF to an SHF system – How much have we lost in the changeover and what we paid? 	31 May 2011 p 15-16	15.08.11	25.08.11
21.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Collins Submarines	 (a) What is the state of our spare parts for the Collins Class? (b) There is a shortfall in inventory for spare parts within the FEG that deals with sonar which is difficult to remediate given that OEM are not around to provide the necessary support. How has it come to this? (c) Are we aware of a sonar project outlined in the 2004 DCP? (d) With regard to possible missing parts from the spares inventory on HMAS Rankin repairs: Is this true? If so, what are the circumstances? (e) What is the total annual cost of running the submarine fleet for sustainment, operation of and the projects that are upgrading/remediating the submarine fleet etc? 	31 May 2011 p 20-24	12.10.11	13.10.11
22.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Mine Hunter Vessels	How many of the four Mine Hunters that are online are fully operational in terms of having all capabilities on board ready for use, including mine disposal vehicles?	31 May 2011 p 36	15.08.11	25.08.11
23.	1.2 Navy	Macdonald	Aurora Australis Charter	What is the arrangement with the Australian Antarctic Division for the charter of the Aurora Australia?	31 May 2011 p 39	16.08.11	25.08.11
24.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Collins Submarines	Senator Johnston: "Before lunch we were discussing the total annual cost of submarines to the Commonwealth. It was put to me that the total cost in 2009-10 for submarine capability was \$363 million. That was in answer to question No. 103. I have some documents here that I will give to you. The first page is Defence outcomes	31 May 2011 p 39-42	15.08.11	25.08.11

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				and outputs 2005-06. You will see at 2.4 a photocopy of a fluorescently marked document on page 90 of the budget papers of that year with the figures of \$779,765,000. In 2006-07 the figure for submarines is \$724,138,000. In 2007-08 the figure for the estimates was \$815,756,000. Over the page is the first time—that is, 2008-09—we broke it up. You can see table 1.6.5, output 1.2.6, capability for submarine operations, \$477,655,000. On table 2.5.8 there is sustainment, \$296—a total of \$773. I maintain that the cost of submarines to the Commonwealth is somewhere between \$800 and \$900 million. Is anyone going to take me on about that?" CFO agreed on page 42 to provide a breakdown of costs.			
25.	1.1 Capability Acquisition	Humphries	LAND 121	(a) What is the cost cap for LAND 121 in relation to the medium-heavy component?(b) How much more expensive is a protected vehicle from an ordinary variant?	31 May 2011 p 46	16.08.11	25.08.11
26.	1.1 Capability Acquisition	Humphries	AIR 5402 – Air to Air Refueling Capability	When is the fifth aircraft due to be delivered?	31 May 2011 p 48	16.08.11	25.08.11
27.	1.5 Intelligence	Humphries	Security on Parliamentarians Mobile Phones	Why has DSD set the security on Member and Parliamentarians mobile phones such that passwords must be re-entered every 15 minutes?	31 May 2011 p 54-55	15.08.11	25.08.11
28.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Navy Centenary Celebrations	What is the budget for 'Project 100' Navy centenary celebrations?	31 May 2011 p 58	16.08.11	25.08.11
29.	1.8 CIO	Kroger	Social Media Use	What policy do we have on the increased use of internet/social media, especially Skype and Facebook, on Defence systems?	31 May 2011 p 66	16.08.11	25.08.11
30.	1.1 OSCDF	Ludlam	Cluster Munitions	 (a) Are there any instances of the ADF disposing or defeating any cluster munitions in the last ten years? (b) Is it the understanding of Defence that the US deployed cluster munitions into Iraq? (c) Was Defence aware at the time? (d) Did Defence subsequently become aware? If so, when? (e) What was the nature of the Australian Air Support during the Iraq conflict, eg. Allegedly deployed cluster munitions? (f) Does the US bring cluster munitions to Australia, eg. On ship visits, exercises etc? 	31 May 2011 p 68-69	16.08.11	25.08.11
31.	1.9 VCDF	Macdonald	Exercise Talisman Sabre	(a) Has it come to the attention of Defence that a "peace activist", Bryan Law, has threatened to disrupt Talisman Sabre including threats to sabotage aircraft?	31 May 2011 p 72	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				 (b) What is Defence proposing to do in order to deal with protesters/Mr Law at Rockhampton during Exercise Talisman Sabre? (c) Is Defence proposing to use the wharf at Rockhampton during Exercise Talisman Sabre? (d) What does Defence want to do with the wharf and what works would need to be done in order to do that? 			
32.	1.6 Defence Support	Macdonald	Honours and Awards	 (a) What steps have been taken to find the families of the 20 servicemen that have been identified to receive the Commendation of Gallantry for their efforts in escaping from Japanese forces in WWII? What further steps could be taken? (b) How many personnel from HMAS Tobruk and Jervis Bay that deployed to Somalia (1992-1995) have had their service award upgraded to AASM with Somalia Clasp? (c) Is it the role of the Department to contact these people? Has that been done? If not, why not? If so, what steps have been taken? 	31 May 2011 p 73-74	16.08.11	25.08.11
33.	1.2 Navy	Macdonald	Sydney Harbour	(a) What is there at Sydney Harbour presently that makes it the best place to base the new ships?(b) What are the difficulties with basing in Sydney Harbour?	31 May 2011 p 74	20.09.11	22.09.11
34.	1.6 Defence Support	Abetz	Defence Heritage Sites and use of Facilities to House Irregular Maritime Arrivals	 (a) Is it the intention to keep the land around Fort Direction as well as, the historic buildings? If so, how much of it? (b) What is the future/intent for Paterson Sreet Barracks in Launceston? (c) When was Defence contacted by DIAC about the use of Pontville for detainees? (d) What arrangements does Defence have for cadets at Pontville? (e) How much is the cost of relocating the cadets from Pontville and where are they going? (f) How long would the cadets be relocated for? What is the cost? (g) What is the period of time that DIAC has agreed to take over responsibility for Pontville? (h) Did Defence indicate anything to the PWC about any heritage issues with Pontville? (i) Has Defence checked the flooring etc for any asbestos in Pontville? 	31 May 2011 p 75-77	16.08.11	25.08.11
35.	1.6 Defence Support	Macdonald	Cultana and Pastoralists	Please provide a timetable of what is to happen with the pastoralists at Cultana. Who is going and where will any meetings take place etc?	31 May 2011 p 79	20.09.11	22.09.11
36.	1.8 CIO	Macdonald	RAAF Base Scherger	In relation to the \$252,000 phone bill recently reported in the media from the telephone facility at RAAF Base Scherger: (a) Was anyone in Defence aware that there was that there was that use of your	31 May 2011 p 80	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				facilities to that extent? (b) What was the facility? Was it a satellite phone, phone box, internet connection etc?			
37.	1.13 People Strategies and Policy	Johnston	APS Staffing	 (a) How many permanent staff have been recruited this financial year to date? (b) What classification are these staff? (c) How many temporary positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? (d) This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period? 	Written	15.08.11	25.08.11
38.	1.13 People Strategies and Policy	Johnston	Staffing – Efficiency Dividend/Budget Cuts	 (a) Have staffing numbers been reduced as a result of the efficiency dividend and/or other budget cuts? (b) If so, where and at what classification? (c) 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/ (d) What changes are underway or planned for graduate recruitment, cadetships or similar programs? If reductions are envisaged please explain including reasons, target numbers etc. 	Written	15.08.11	25.08.11
39.	1.1 OSCDF	Johnston	Government Advertising	(a) What communications programs has the Department/Agency undertaken, or are planning to undertake?(b) For each program, what is the total spend?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
40.	1.12 CFO	Johnston	Hospitality and Entertainment	 (a) What is the Department's hospitality spend for financial year to date? (b) Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. (c) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary's office, please detail the total hospitality spend for the financial year to date. (d) Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event. (e) What is the Department's entertainment spend for the financial year to date? (f) Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. (g) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary's office, please detail the total entertainment spend for the financial year to date. (h) Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event. 	Written	16.08.11 Attachm ent rec'd 16.08.11	25.08.11 25.08.11
41.	1.13 People Strategies and Policy	Johnston	Board Appointments	(a) What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?(b) Please detail any board appointment for the financial year to date.	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
42.	1.12 CFO	Johnston	Grants	Has the Department complied with interim requirements relating to the publication of grants?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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43.	1.1 OSCDF	Johnston	Freedom of Information	 (a) Has the Department received any advice on how to respond to FOI requests? (b) How many FOI requests has the Department received? (c) How many have been granted or denied? (d) How many conclusive certificates have been issued is relation to FOI requests? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
44.	1.1 OSCDF	Johnston	Community Cabinets	 (a) What was the cost of Ministers travel and expenses for the Community Cabinet meetings held this financial year to date? (b) How many Ministerial staff travelled with the Minister for the Cabinet meeting? What was the total cost of this travel? (c) How many Departmental officers travelled with the Minister for the Cabinet meeting? What was the total cost of this travel? (d) What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
45.		Johnston	Reviews	 (a) How many reviews are currently being undertaken by all departments and agencies? (b) When will each of these reviews be concluded? (c) What reviews have been concluded in this financial year to date? (d) Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? (e) When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? (f) What is the estimated cost of each of these reviews? (g) What further reviews are planned for 2011-12? 	Written	06.10.11	13.10.11
46.	1.12 CFO	Johnston	Consultancies	 (a) How many consultancies have been undertaken or are underway this financial year to date? Please 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). Please also include total value for all consultancies. (b) Does each Department stand by its current tenders on the Austenders website? (c) Have any changes or corrections been made for any tenders advertised on to Government Tenders website (www.tenders.gov.au) for tenders advertised this financial year? Explain. Are you up to date with reporting requirements? (d) How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? (e) 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	16.08.11	25.08.11

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47.	1.1 OSCDF	Johnston	Media Monitoring	 (a) What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etc, provided to the Minister's office for the financial year to date? (b) Which agency or agencies provided these services? (c) What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etc, provided to the Department and its agencies in the financial year to date? (d) Which agency or agencies provided these services? 	Written	15.08.11	25.08.11
48.	1.8 CIO	Johnston	Social Media	Has there been any changes to the Departments social media or protocols about staff access and usage of Youtube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussion forums and blogs since October 2010? Please explain.	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
49.	1.8 CIO	Johnston	Contractors	 (a) Has the Department ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details. (b) Has the Department ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details. (c) Has the Department ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details. (d) Has the Department ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details. (e) Has the Department ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details. (f) Has the Department ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details. (g) Has the Department ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details. (h) Has the Department ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details. (i) Has the Department ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details. 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
50.	1.12 CFO	Johnston	Discretionary Grants	Could the Department provide a list of all discretionary grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for the financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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51.	1.1 OSCDF	Johnston	Commissioned Reports	 (a) How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your portfolio for the financial year to date? Please provide details of each report including the date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. (b) How much did each report cost? (c) How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level? (d) What is the current status of each report? (e) When is the Government intending to respond to these reports? 	Written	23.08.11	25.08.11
52.	1.1 OSCDF	Johnston	Cabinet and Sub- Cabinet Committee Meetings	 (a) How much time is spent preparing papers/submissions for Cabinet and Sub-Cabinet Committee meetings? (b) How often must papers/submissions for Cabinet and Sub-Cabinet Committee meetings be redrafted or resubmitted? Please provide an example of why this would happen. (ie. last minute policy changes or redated papers due to items not being discussed when initially scheduled). 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
53.	1.12 CFO	Johnston	Government Payment of Accounts	 (a) Has the Department paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (ie. within 30 days)? (b) 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). (c) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so, how much has been paid by the Department for the current financial year and the previous financial year? (d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined? 	Written	23.08.11	25.08.11
54.	1.12 CFO	Johnston	Government Stationery Requirements	(a) What are the Government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (ie. special type of paper, envelopes)?(b) What are the cost of these items?(c) Is the Department paying for these?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
55.		Johnston	Media Subscriptions	 (a) Does your Department subscribe to pay TV (for example Foxtel)? If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels. (b) Does your Department subscribe to newspapers? If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers. (c) Does your Department subscribe to magazines? If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines. 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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56.	1.1 OSCDF	Johnston	Travel Costs	 (a) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel (itemised separately) undertaken by your portfolio Ministers and Parliamentary Secretary. Include what sum was spent on travel, accommodation, security, food, beverages (alcohol listed separately), gifts, entertainment and all other expenses. (b) For the financial year to date, please provide the same information (itemised separately) for any Ministerial 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. (c) 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. 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
57.	1.6 Defence Support	Johnston	Legal Costs	 (a) What sum did the Department spend on legal services for the financial year to date? Please provide a list of each service and costs. (b) What sum did the Department spend on legal services for the financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs. (c) What sum did the Department spend on legal services for the financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs. (d) What sum did the Department spend on legal services for the financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs. 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
58.	1.13 People Strategies and Policy	Johnston	Education Expenses	Please detail all education expenses (ie. in house courses and tertiary studies) for the Department. Include what type of course, the cost and how many participants.	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
59.	1.13 People Strategies and Policy	Johnston	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	 (a) In relation to the purchase of executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by the Department, please provide the following information for the financial year to date: (i) total spending on these services; (ii) the number of employees offered these services and their employment classification; (iii) the number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification; and (iv) the names of all service providers engaged. (b) For each service purchased from a provider listed under (iv), please provide: (i) the name and nature of the service purchased; (ii) whether the service is one-on-one or group based; 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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60.	1.13 People Strategies	Johnston	Paid Parental Leave	 (iii) the number of employees who received the service and their employment classification; (iv) the total number of hours involved for all employees; (v) the total amount spent on the service; and (vi) a description of the fees charged (ie. per hour, complete package). (c) Where a service was provided at any location other than the Department's own premises, please provide: (i) the location used; (ii) the number of employees who took part on each occasion; (iii) the total number of hours involved for all employees who took part; and (iv) any costs incurred to use the location. (a) Please list how many staff in the Department are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? (b) Please list if employees in the Department are receiving payments under the the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? 	Written	15.08.11	25.08.11
	and Policy			the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff are in receipt of these payments.			
61.	1.6 Defence Support	Johnston	Workpoint Space	 (a) For each Department office, please list the occupied workpoint space allocated per person. (b) Does this adhere to the Government's Commonwealth Property management Guidelines (the Guidelines)? Explain. (c) If yes, please explain if any refurbishment was required to meet the Guidelines and what the costs were. (i) what savings did the Department achieve by meeting the Guidelines? Please itemise each agency separately. (ii) how much of these savings has each Department kept? Please itemise each agency separately. (d) If no, please give details why it does not, including whether an exemption has been received by the Finance Minister. (i) what funding has been taken from the Department because they do not meet the Guidelines? Please itemise each agency separately. (ii) are there plans to meet the Guidelines? Please explain. 	Written	15.08.11	25.08.11
62.	1.12 CFO	Birmingham	Funding to Organisations	Has the Department provided any funding to any of the following organisations in the current financial year or in any of the previous three financial years? If so, please detail when it was provided and for what purpose. (a) Australian Conservation Foundation (b) Australian Council of Trade Unions (c) Australian Youth Climate Coalition	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				 (d) Climate Action Network Australia (e) The Climate Institute (f) Environment Victoria (g) GetUp! (h) Greenpeace Australia Pacific (i) World Wildlife Fund Australia. 			
63.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Submarine Costs	 (a) What was the total cost of the RAN's submarine capability in 2010-11, including, but not limited to (and not necessarily grouped exactly as listed): (i) Operating costs, including 1 uniformed personnel salaries and costs (including submarine crews, support personnel, test, Command and Management personnel); 2. APS personnel salaries and costs (including DSTO personnel associated with submarine R&D at MOD Stirling and MPD Fisherman's Bend); 3. PSP personnel salaries and costs; 4. fuel and lubricants; 5. supplies and victuals; 6. training costs. (ii) Project costs, including: DCP Projects; Minor Projects. (iv) Submarine facilities running costs (STSC, DSTO MOD Stirling, SETF). (v) Submarine rescue facilities. (b) How much is to be expended in the sustainment of the submarine fleet in each of the years 2010-11 to 2020-21? (c) How much is to be expended in relation to all submarine capability improvement (DCP and Minor) projects in each of the years 2010-11 to 2020-21? (e) What impact will the ASC submarine sustainment ISS contract renegotiation have on the 2011-12 budget estimate for submarine sustainment? (f) Defence has indicated in answers to February Estimates QoN that it is considering switching Collins maintenance philosophies from "as new" to "on condition". 	Written	12.10.11	13.10.11

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				(i) what is the likely cost saving to be derived by switching maintenance philosophies?(ii) what are the risks associated with switching maintenance philosophies?			
64.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Benchmarking, Reviews and Further Benchmarking	 (a) In QoNs for February Estimates, I asked to receive a copy of a maintenance benchmarking review that was conducted in early 2010 against the US Los Angeles 688 ad Swedish Gotland submarines. Defence undertook to table the report but have subsequently withheld it until Defence has sought advice of the participants on commercial sensitivities. (i) Can Defence table a redacted version until such time as advice of the participants on commercial sensitivities is received? (ii) On what dates did Defence ask the US and Swedish Government/supplier for advice wrt: commercial sensitivities with respect to the report? (iii) What is the likely response times of the US and Swedish Government/supplier responding to Defence's question with respect to the report? (b) In answers to February Estimates QoNs Defence have stated that maintenance period's associated with Type 209, 212, 214, A-26 and S-80s cannot be compared to those of Collins Class submarines because they have more benign operating environments and shorter mission durations. Please provide the metrics which Defence used to generate such a claim. (c) Has Defence attempted to obtain maintenance cost information from a range of submarine operators through its extensive network of Defence attaches? If not, why not? (d) According to AusTender, on 31 March, Defence issued a contract (\$495K) to PWC to provide consulting services in support of a study into Submarine Capability Improvement, presumably as part of the Strategic Reform Program. (i) Please provide the contracted completion date for and contract deliveries (outline, draft, version1). (ii) Please table any completed deliverables under the contract. (e) Defence has stated at the most recent Estimates that it is conducting a benchmarking review to help establish best practice for the business of submarine sustainment. (ii) Please explain the logic behind the proposed completion date of the review (late 2011) post-d	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				to the ISSC?).			
65.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Submarine Status	 (a) Defence indicated that HMAS Farncombe had to return to dock to repair an EPU which failed as the result of over pressuring a hydraulic system. (i) How long was the submarine re-docked for? (ii) What is the total cost of the re-docking? (iii) What is the total cost of repair? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
		 (b) Defence indicated that HMAS Dechaineux had a main motor problem in Singapore in May. (i) How long until the main motor will be repaired to "as new" (Defence indicated in answers to QoNs from February Estimates that this is the current submarine maintenance philosophy)? (ii) What is the total cost for repairing the defect? 					
				(c) Are there any issues with HMAS Waller's main motors, and if so, what are they?			
66.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Submarine Crewing	In the Submarine Workforce Sustainability Review Navy undertook to commission a study into a Sydney based submarine crew. This was to be concluded by February 2010. Advice from Defence at June Estimates suggests that this study has not yet been conducted. (a) Why has this study not been conducted in accordance with recommendations? (b) When will this study be conducted? (c) What other recommendations that Defence undertook to adhere to have not been adhered to?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
67.	1.11 Capability Development	Johnston	Submarine Procurement and Improvements	 (a) Project SEA 1439 Phase 6 has been in existence since the release of the 2004 DCP. From 2004 to the end of FY 2011-12, what has been the total cost (uniformed salaries, civilian salaries, contractors, travel, studies, trials etc) of running the project team? (b) In February Estimates QoNs the following was asked: A consistent theme in the ANAO's 2009-10 DMO Major Project Report is that upgrades/enhancements to Collins are frequently inhibited by the capacity/resources of ASC to complete installations in the docking cycles. (i) What equipment/capabilities have been procured but not installed as a result of lack of capacity/resources at ASC? (ii) What has been the cost for equipment/capabilities procured for the Collins Class submarines but not yet installed? 	Written	12.10.11	13.10.11

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	(c) It was apparent from questions during the recent Estimates relating to Masts and Echo Sounders that this question has not been answered thoroughly. Please provide a detailed response.			
	(d) As part of SEA 1439 Phase 5B.1 Defence has procured OE-538 Multi-Function communications mast.			
	 (i) Did we procure a class wide fit? (ii) If so, when were these procured? (iii) If so, how much did that cost? (iv) If so, how many have been installed? (v) If so, what were the actual installation costs? (vi) Was the installation cost included in the original project budget? 			
	(e) It is understood that Defence procured a number of TUUM-4 Underwater Telephones for the Collins Class submarines.			
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				direction" with respect to this capability. What is the reasoning for this and what is the total cost to the taxpayer relating to having proceeded partially down this path (including de-installation and disposal cost).			
				(g) In answers to questions on notice, Defence indicate that we have not had access to the classified DOTE report on the AN/BYG-1 and will not until such time as unique US Navy elements have been reviewed and edited. Why, noting the report was released in September 2010, do we still not have access to a redacted version?			
				(h) The US Navy's Director of Operational Test and Evaluation release a report every year. Have we ever sought access to previous classified reports on the AN/BYG-1?			
68.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Sonar	Some elements of SYCLLA sonar are more than two decades old. (a) With respect to Commonwealth inventory, does Defence have all active systems (e.g. six ship sets, development systems, training system) and associated allocated spares? (b) If not, what is the extent of the shortfall. (c) Of the Commonwealth inventory, what percentage of circuit boards are defective? (d) Under extant in-services-support contracts with the OEM, at what stage will obsolescence issues result is an inability to: (i) Field 6 ship systems and associated training and development systems?	Written	12.10.11	13.10.11
69.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Submarine Availability and Unit Ready Days	(a) What are the planned overseas port visits for the Collins Class submarines for the next twelve months?(b) What is submarine unit ready days expectation of Navy over the next 24 months (FY 2011-12 and 2012-13)?	Written	20.09.11	22.09.11
70.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Submarine Remediation	What specific and detailed plan does the DMO have to remediate the Collins Class submarine fleet in the period 2010-11 to 2020-21?	Written	13.10.11	
71.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Mine Warfare - Mining	(a) Is there any project pending to address the shortfall in the ADF's Maritime Mining Capability.	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				(b) If not why not and if so, when is this project being brought forward for Government decision.			
72.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Mine Countermeasures - MHCs	 (a) At Estimates on 31 May 2011 Chief of Navy indicated that it would take several months to reactivate the 2 MHC's that are laid up. How long will it take to reactivate the 2 MHC's currently laid up, including bringing the crew to an operational level? (b) CN also indicated that the 'principal positions for each of the 'laid up' MHC's were available for re-crewing. What are these 'principal positions' and where are these personnel presently employed such that they could be reallocated to crewing the two MHC's should the need arise. What other tasks would then not be performed due to this re-shuffle? (c) At Estimates on 31 May 2011 the question was asked, "How many MHC's are at full capability inclusive of Diving Equipment, Mine Disposal Vehicles, Sonars and Minesweeping wires and cutters". Chief of Navy answered, "To my knowledge they are all at a level of capability". (i) What is the current level of capability of each? (ii) How many hours of detailed route survey operations of Australian priority ports have been conducted by the MHC's over the last 4 years? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
73.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Mine Countermeasures - Minesweeping	 (a) At Estimates on 31 May 2011 the C of N indicated that minesweeping training was being conducted. (i) On how many occasions has each MHC conducted wire sweeping operations in the last 4 years? (ii) On how many occasions has each MHC conducted influence sweeping operations in the last 4 years? (iii) On how many occasions has remote control minesweeping operations been conducted in the last 4 years? (iv) Are the 3 minesweeping drone boats serviceable and/or operationally ready? (v) If any are un-serviceable, when were they first reported as un-serviceable and to whom? (vi) How many times has the maxi dyad sweep been trained with in the last 4 years? (vii) How many times has the mini dyad sweep been trained with in the last 4 years? (viii) What has been the usage rate of the 18 Australian Acoustic Generators 	Written	05.10.11	13.10.11

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				over the last 2 years? (ix) How many MW category courses are conducted each year and of those courses conducted how many involved practical minesweeping (both mechanical or influence) over the last 5 years? (Please indicate whether mechanical or influence). (x) How much funding has been allocated to the conduct of influence minesweeping training per annum over the last 5 years in total and as a percentage of funding allocated to MCD training. (b) At Estimates, C of N indicated that Craft of Opportunity (COOP) are to be used to tow the large influence sweep. (i) My understanding is that the COOP concept been discarded in the late 90's due to the difficulty of maintaining the data base of suitable craft as well as the significant problem of degaussing these COOP prior to entering a minefield to ensure some element of safety for the crew? Is it not true that the Minesweeping Drone boats can only provide limited protection as a precursor to the COOP? (ii) What has changed? (iii) Does Navy now have a data base of suitable craft? (iv) How does Navy resolve the danger of operating an undegaussed COOP in a minefield? Does navy now have a number of portable DG systems to fit to these COOP?			
74.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Mine Countermeasures – Clearance Diving	 (a) At Estimates on 31 May 2011, the C of N indicated the following "We can dive to the depths we need to". (i) What is the depth requirement for RAN Clearance Divers (and their equipment) in the conduct of EOD and Mine Clearance diving operations? (ii) What is the maximum depth that CD's can dive to at present on unexploded ordnance or mines? (iii) What is the present status of the following clearance diving equipment (please indicate number of sets in inventory and serviceability): a. A5800; b. Surface Supply Breathing Apparatus; and c. Shallow water re-breather? (iv) What is the current status of the CD MCM Underwater Computing System (MUCS)? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				 (v) Of the CD MCM Underwater Computing Systems purchased by Navy, how many are serviceable? (vi) How many of the handheld 2A sonars used for diver search are serviceable? (vii) What is the current replacement schedule for the handheld 2A sonars? (b) At Estimates on 31 July 2011 the Chief of Navy stated: sic "In my community people tend to push the envelope in things they wish to do and the vessels we have available for the mission they have is satisfactory and we have got what we need to do the mission we have" (i) Do CD's have a stated mission of both beach survey and clandestine beach survey? And would not they be required to travel some distance over water to effect an insertion to conduct such a mission. If so, how are they to be inserted from a task group to undertake this task? (ii) What are the craft that the C of N refers to when he stated that 'we have got what we need'? (iii) What sort of protection do these craft afford to CDs operating in a mine threat environment? 			
75.	1.2 Navy	Johnston	Mine Warfare Command	 (a) What is the current command structure that has been established to ensure the on-going capabilities of MCD? (b) Does the current commanding officer for this area have specialist experience and qualifications in Mine Warfare? If not, why does this important capability not have a commanding officer with the required specialist qualifications and expertise? (c) At Estimates the C of N said 'that he re-organised the command structure because he had a view that there were some similarities between technologies relating to both MCD and Hydro-graphic activities.' What are the similarities and how are the activities closely related? (d) Detail the total cost of maintaining and operating MCD operations over the past five years? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
76.	1.4 Air Force	Johnston	34 Squadron	 (a) When do the current leases for the 3 Challenger 604 and 2 BBJ expire? (b) Is it anticipated that these leases will be renewed. If yes, for what period? (c) Is it planned to use any of the KC-30A Multi Role Tanker Transport fleet in VIP tasks? (d) What has been the maintenance schedule for the VIP fleet for 2010/11? (e) Please list the details of all tasks, including the specific purposes and associated costs, for all 34 Squadron aircraft usage for the Governor General 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				since 2007/08? (f) Please list the availability schedule for the VIP aircraft fleet in 2010/11? (g) Is there a plan in place to replace the current fleet of VIP aircraft? If so, please provide the specific details of the proposed replacement aircraft? (h) Please list the specific details of 'other aircraft' that have had to be contracted because of the unavailability of the 3 Challenger 604 and 2 BBJ aircraft in 2010/11? (i) Please provide the full details, including manifests, and costs associated with the contracting of such aircraft in 2010/11? (j) What was the full cost of maintaining and operating 34 Squadron in 2010/11? (k) What cost recoveries for VIP services in 2010/11 were made and from whom?			
77.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Multi Role Tanker Transport	 (a) What is the delivery schedule for the fleet of MRTT into full operational capacity? (b) Is it planned to use any of the KC-30A Multi Role Tanker Transport fleet in VIP tasks? (c) Is it planned to use any of the KC-30A Multi Role Tanker Transport fleet in transporting personnel, equipment and goods to the MEAO? (d) If not, why not? (e) What is the total yearly cost of purchasing/leasing of this fleet of aircraft from 2010/11 to 2020/21? (f) What is the total yearly cost of operating, maintaining and sustaining this fleet of aircraft from 2010/11 to 2020/21? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
78.	1.1 Capability Acquisition	Johnston	AIR 7000 Phase 1B	 (a) What is the current plan of introducing the Global Hawk un-manned long endurance aircraft into operation? (b) What is the current number of Global Hawk un-manned long endurance aircraft that will be purchased? (c) What is the anticipated total cost of purchasing the above number Global Hawk un-manned long endurance aircraft, including ground station and support services? (d) What is the anticipated total cost of purchasing each Global Hawk unmanned long endurance aircraft, including ground station and support services? (e) What is the anticipated delivery schedule for the Global Hawk unmanned long endurance aircraft? (f) Where is it planned that this fleet of aircraft will be based and head-quartered? 	Written	22.08.11	13.10.11

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79.	1.1 Capability Acquisition	Johnston	Joint Strike Fighter/Super Hornets	 (a) How much was spent, or is expected to be spent on the acquisition of the JSF – F-35 (JSF) in each of the years 2011/12 to 2023/24? (b) How many JSF are planned to be purchased, and paid for, in each of the years 2011/12 to 2023/24? (c) What is the schedule to introduce the JSF into full operational status for each year 2013/14 to 2023/24? (d) What is the schedule to introduce the Super Hornets into full operational status for each year 2013/14 to 2023/24? (e) What is the expected total cost of maintaining, sustaining and operating the JSF's for each year 2013/14 to 2023/24? (f) What is the expected total cost of maintaining, sustaining and operating the current Super Hornets for each year 2013/14 to 2023/24? (g) What is the expected total cost of maintaining, sustaining and operating the Classic Hornets for each year 2013/14 to 2023/24? (h) What is the anticipated Fly Away and Unit Cost for the JSF in each of the years 2011/12 to 2023/24? (i) What is the anticipated total cost in purchasing 72 JSF? (j) What is the anticipated total cost in purchasing 100 JSF? (k) What would be the anticipated Fly Away and Unit Cost for 24 additional Super Hornets in each of the years 2011/12 to 2023/24? (l) What impact would there be on the capability of the RAAF in purchasing 76 JSF and 24 Super Hornets (12 fitted with Growler suites)? (m) What savings would be made in purchasing 24 Super Hornets (12 fitted with Growler suites) in the period 2012/13 to 2023/24? (o) What savings could expected to be made by delaying the purchase of the next planned tranche of JSF by 2 years; 3 years; 4 years and 5 years? (p) What would be the expected savings in delaying the planned JSF project by 2 years; 3 years; 4 years and 5 years? (q) What will be the average unit cost of the JSF per plane over the full purchase period? (r) What would be the average unit cost of 12 additional Super Hor	Written	13.10.11	

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				(u) What is the current schedule in training support staff capable of servicing and maintaining both JSF and Super Hornets for the period 2011/12 to 2023/24?			
80.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	DMO - Projects	 (a) How many projects is the DMO currently managing? What is the total value of these projects? (b) What percentage of projects were delivered on time and on budget, by year, since 2001? (c) Taking the 2006 DCP as a baseline, please produce a list of every project from the 2006 DCP and subsequent DCP's and against each project list the budget overrun, or savings, and the schedule delays or early delivery. Specifically: (i) Can the DMO/Defence provide a list of all projects that have suffered schedule delays, in terms of decision dates (first pass etc), and provide details as to the reasons for each delay and the length of each delay? (ii) Can the DMO/Defence provide a list of all projects that have suffered schedule delays in terms of initial operation dates and provide details as to the reasons for each delay and the length of each delay? (iii) Can the DMO/Defence provide a list of all projects that have suffered cost over runs and provide details as to the reasons for each cost overrun? (iv) How many projects in the updated Dec 2010 DCP have been delayed as compared to the dates originally set out in the 2006 DCP? What are these projects? (v) How many projects in the updated Dec 2010 DCP have had their project costs increased as compared to the dates originally set out in the 2006 DCP? What are these projects? (d) What extra capacity (per cent) does the DMO have in terms of managing an increased number of projects? (e) What extra capacity (per cent) does defence industry have in terms of managing an increased number of projects? (f) What is the anticipated increase in work (per cent) over the next 10 and 20 years respectively? 	Written	20.09.11	22.09.11

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81.	1.3 Provision of Policy Advice and Management Services	Johnston	DMO Staffing	 (a) As at 1 June 2011, how many APS staff were employed at the DMO, with their salary and classification levels? (b) As at 1 June 2011, how many uniformed staff were employed at the DMO, with their salary and classification levels? (c) As at 1 June 2011, how many contracted staff were employed at the DMO, with their salary and classification levels? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
82.	1.2 Capability Sustainment	Johnston	Submarine Fleet Upgrade	How much is to be expended in the upgrade of the submarine fleet in each of the years 2010/11 to 2020/21?	Written	15.08.11	25.08.11
83.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	Budget Audit Review	 The 2008 Budget Audit Review – 7.3 and 7.4 identified gaps to average benchmark performance across a number of functions. (a) What real and actual savings have been made in the HR area where the gap to performance is 22% in the periods; 2008-09; 2009-10 and 2010-11? (b) What real and actual savings have been made in the Finance area where the gap to performance is 14% in the periods; 2008-09; 2009-10 and 2010-11? (c) What real and actual savings have been made in the Non Equipment Procurement area where the gap to performance is 31% in the periods; 2008-09; 2009-10 and 2010-11? (d) What real and actual savings have been made in the ICT area where the gap to performance is 25% in the periods; 2008-09; 2009-10 and 2010-11? 	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
84.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Acquisitions and Approvals	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'As things stand, Defence's force development plans over the next several years are simply unrealistic' p. vii. (a) As at 10 June 2011, what is the total cost of the proposed acquisitions as outlined in the Defence White Paper 2009? (b) What first pass approvals have been made each year from 2006-07 to 2010-11? (c) What second pass approvals have been made each year from 2006-07 to 2010-11?	Written	15.08.11	25.08.11
85.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Savings Under SRP	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'A centrepiece of the 2009 White Paper was a 21 year funding commitment built around 3% real growth to 2018 and \$20.6 billion of savings from the SRP over the first decade. Following the GFC induced deferral of funding in 2009 from the initial	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				four years, 3% real growth was qualified to be 'average real growth'. Although its claimed the SRP savings are being directed to fund Force 2030, nothing of the sort is occurring.' (a) Why was the decision made to break the Government election commitment that all savings made under the SRP would be returned to Defence? (b) Who made the decision and on whose recommendation?			
86.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Funding	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'Defence will hand back \$1.5 billion of funding this financial year, including \$1.1 billion of investment funds and \$400 million from recurrent spending. In light of the this dual underspend; a further \$1.3 billion of previously planned investment has been deferred to beyond 2014, and \$3.9 billion of recurrent funding planned for the next decade has been returned to the Government'. Please provide a full explanation of why this is happening, what projects have been deferred or cancelled to enable this funding to be returned and who approved this action?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
87.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Financial and Capability Planning	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'Indeed, on the surface it might be concluded that the Government is simply taking money from Defence to ensure it can deliver a surplus in 2013. But this is certainly not the case – especially given that the cuts and deferrals are not centred on that year. Instead, the steps taken in this year's budget are symptoms of serious problems with Defence's financial management and capability development planning'. (a) Why is Defence's financial and capability planning in such a parlous state as claimed by Dr Thomson? (b) Is it the intention of Defence to assist the Government in returning the Commonwealth budget to surplus in 2012-131? If so, how will this be achieved?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
88.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Force 2030	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'Since 2000, the development of the Defence Force has been based around a long-term program of planned investment in new equipment; the Defence Capability Plan (DCP). The latest public version of the plan was released in December 2010 and	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				covers the decade to 2019. It tells us about the acquisition projects which Defence plans over the next decade in pursuit of Force 2030, the Defence Force envisaged in the 2009 White Paper. Given the inherently extended time needed to deliver Defence projects, the current ten year plan probably contains 75% of the additional equipment that will form the force structure in 2030'. Defence's incoming Government brief from late last year said that the 'implementation of Force 2030 is on track but under pressure'. No such claim appear anywhere in this year's budget paraphernalia'. (a) What is the current state of all acquisition projects that are included in Force 2030? (b) Which projects have been deferred, delayed or cancelled since the publication of Force 2030? (c) Why have these projects been deferred, delayed or cancelled? (d) Why was it not mentioned in the 2011-12 PBS that the implementation of Force 2030 is under severe pressure?			
89.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Expenditure	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'If the reality gap between past and planned approvals was all we had to worry about, things would be bad enough. But it gets worse. Because of the deferral of defence funding back in 2009 to accommodate the fiscal impact of the Global Financial Crisis, baseline defence spending (exclusive of operational supplementation) will decline towards 2012-13—the year in which the government plans to return to surplus. After that, it rises quickly to regain the promised '3% real growth' over the decade'. As at 1 June 2011, what is the planned expenditure of Defence in the period 2011/12 out to 2014/15 and what is the 'real growth' in expenditure for each of these years?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
90.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Acquisition Targets	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'The trouble is that most of the contraction and subsequent growth is concentrated in the major capital investment program. As best we can estimate, this means that spending on new equipment is set to rise by in excess of 100% in a period of only four years. This seems optimistic in the extreme given that most of the delays experienced this year reflect the non-delivery of approved projects by industry. Unless the plan is to buy a massive quantity of new equipment off-the-shelf from overseas, this rapid	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				expansion will sorely test the capacity of industry at the same time as they compete for skilled workers in what's shaping up to be the largest mining boom in Austalia's history'.			
				Is buying MOTS going to be the method by which Defence is able to meet the target of a spending rise of 100% over the next four years? If not, how is it going to meet its acquisition targets in the capital investment program?			
91.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Capability Planning	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'There is no point clinging to existing plans. The development of the ADF needs to be put on a realistic and sustainable footing. Existing resources need to be directed towards approving a manageable program of new projects that can feasibly be delivered by industry over the next several years. This will mean focussing efforts on those capabilities most urgently needed by the Defence Force and deferring others into the future. Doing so will demand much more than tweaking the existing program at the margin. A comprehensive audit of Defence's present capability plan is required to get Force 2030 onto a track that does not lead to a train wreck'. What plan of specific action is to be undertaken by Defence to ensure that the current discredited and unaffordable Capability plan can be brought back on track and avoid the 'train wreck' scenario that Dr Thomson predicts?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
92.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Civilian Employees	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'Defence was simply granted too many additional resources in the 2009 White Paper. Consider civilian personnel. Around \$300 million of the new savings come from reducing planned civilian numbers by 1,000 over the next three years. But the reality is that Defence never needed the 1,000 positions in question. Last financial year they got by with 645 fewer people than planned and this financial year they got by with 1,205 fewer than they said they needed. The 1,000 positions that were cut were never filled. Yet, even after claiming the savings from having a thousand fewer civilians, the average strength of the civilian workforce next year is still planned to grow year-on-year by 992 positions.' (a) Please provide the details of the 1000 additional positions to be filled, what exactly were the positions and provide a breakdown of the areas in which these positions were to be located within the Defence bureaucracy?	Written	23.08.11	25.08.11

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				 (b) Please explain how can you achieve savings from money that hasn't yet been spent and based on Dr Thomson's explanation would never been spent in any case? (c) What is the expected number of total civilian employees to be employed in Defence over the period 2010/11 to 2014/15? (d) For each of these years, how many of these employees are above the APS -6 level? (e) For each of these years, how many of these employees are above the SES - 1 level? (f) What is the average annual total cost, including all on costs, in employing a civilian employee at above the APS-6 level but below an SES-1 level? (g) What is the average annual total cost, including all on costs, in employing a civilian employee at above the SES-1 level? (h) Of the 22 Band 3 and 3 Star Officers, who fills these positions and specifically what are these positions? (i) What is the average annual total cost, including all on costs, in employing these officers? (j) For each of these officers, what additional entitlements do they receive that are not prescribed for Band 2 officers and below? 			
93.	1.2 CFO	Johnston	ASPI Defence Budget Report – Management Information Systems	The ASPI Cost of Defence 2011-12 identified a number of items that need further explanation: 'It will take several years to develop the management information systems that Defence needs, and even then the effort will fail without a sensible business model that aligns accountability and control of resources. Improved financial management has been promised many times over the past twelve years, and yet it remains elusive. Indeed, it is far from clear that a credible plan exists to achieve this. If there is, let's see it so that we can track the milestones'. What specific action plan, including specific milestones, does Defence have to develop the management information systems that are required to effectively and efficiently operate and manage its resources?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
94.	1.1 OSCDF	Johnston	Ministers Travel Overseas in June 2011	The Minister attended a number of important and significant meetings overseas in June 2011. (a) What specifically were these meetings and what was their purpose? (b) Who accompanied the Minister at these meetings? (c) What purpose and role did each of these accompanying persons specifically play in furthering Australia's national interest at each of these meetings?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				(d) What was the total cost of: (i) accommodation; (ii) travel; (iii) entertainment; and (iv) other costs?			
95.	1.9 VCDF	Macdonald	Exercise Talisman Sabre – Costs	With regard to Exercise TALISMAN SABRE 2011: (a) What will be the total cost to the Australian Defence Force? (b) What will the total cost to the United States Defence Force? (c) How much of this expenditure will be on locally sourced good and services?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
96.	1.6 Defence Support	Macdonald	RAAF Base Scherger – Use of Defence Facilities	With regard to RAAF Base Scherger, (a) What notice was received by the Department of Defence from the Department of Immigration and Citizenship prior to the number of Immigration Detainees being housed at the base increasing above the originally agreed figure of 300? (b) What notice was received by the Department of Defence from the Department of Immigration and Citizenship regarding the length of time the Department of Immigration and Citizenship would need to house Immigration Detainees at the base?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
97.	1.6 Defence Support	Macdonald	Anglesea Barracks	For each of the financial years 2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/2010 and for 2010/11 to date, what has been the cost of maintaining, refurbishing, constructing and/or improving of infrastructure at Anglesea Barracks in Hobart?	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11
98.	1.6 Defence Support	Macdonald	Facilities at Edinburgh	With regard to facilities at the Edinburgh Defence Precinct, has the construction of the following projects been completed? If so, when was work completed? If not, when is it expected to be completed? (a) on-base accommodation for members of 7RAR (b) Weapons training simulator (c) Indirect fire control simulator (d) Gymnasium (e) Driver training area.	Written	15.08.11	25.08.11
99.	1.2 DMO	Trood	Asbestos	(a) Have there been any compensation claims for asbestos related mesothelioma	Written	16.08.11	25.08.11

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				within the Australian Defence Force (ADF) or from any former members of the ADF? If yes, how many?			
				(b) Is there any indication of the number of potential claims?			
				(c) Can Defence provide an estimate on the potential costs of these claims?			
				(d) What is the role of the Asbestos Inventory Tiger Team (AITT)?(e) Does the AITT provide bimonthly reports on its progress? Can these reports be made public?			
				(f) Can Defence confirm that it has removed all asbestos containing products other than those granted an exemption?			
				(g) How many products have been granted an exemption? Until when?(h) What steps are being taken to find replacements for the remaining permitted products?			
				(i) How many materials remain within Defence's inventory which contains asbestos?			
100.	1.10 Joint Operations Command	Macdonald	ADF Support Elements	(a) Which support elements of the Defence Force have roles which are entirely non-location specific, that is, which support elements can carry all of their necessary duties from any permanent location?(b) How many personnel are each of these elements comprised of?(c) What facilities do each of these elements require to carry out their role?	Written	20.09.11	22.09.11
101.	1.9 VCDF	Humphries	Activating ADF Reserves	What process is used for activating ADF Reserves, in emergency management situations?	Written. Transferred from AGs (Legal and Constitutional Committee)	15.08.11	25.08.11