

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
2005-06 Additional Budget Estimates Hearings  
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio  
Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

**QUESTION: PM38**

**Senator Ludwig asked:**

“How many grants have you issued to Hillsong Church, its associated corporations and entities? List name, price and duration of funding by department.”

**Response:**

The Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General has not made any grants to the Hillsong Church.

**QUESTION: PM46**

**Senator Ludwig asked:**

1. “How many briefs have you forwarded to the DPP for 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05?
  - a. How many briefs were returned without action, and how many were actioned?
2. For each year, what was the average time (as well as indicating the minimum and maximum time in each case) in which it took the DPP to...
  - a. Bring charges against the accused party
  - b. Formally bring the matter to a conclusion through either a verdict of guilty or not guilty, the entrance of a nolle prosequi or dropping the charges
  - c. Return the brief for no further action
3. Did the department or agency forward any formal complaints to the DPP regarding the handling of the brief?
  - a. If so, give details.
4. Did the department or agency forward any informal complaints to the DPP regarding the handling of the brief?
  - a. If so, give details.”

**Response:**

1. Nil
- 2-4 Not applicable