

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2008-09 (February 2009)

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security

**Outcome/Output Group:** N/A

**Topic:** Use of consultants

**Senator:** Senator Coonan

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**Type of question:** Written

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**Answer:**

**PM68 a)**

**Question:** How much did each department and agency spend in 2007-08 on:

- a. Consultants in total
- b. ITC Consultants
- c. Legal Consultants
- d. HR Consultants
- e. Accounting Consultants

**Answer:**

- a. \$159,217.48<sup>1</sup>
- b. Nil
- c. \$103,687.03
- d. \$7,186.36
- e. \$820.00

Note 1: Categories b) to e) do not total category a) as the four categories specified do not cover all of the types of consultancies used in the period.

**PM68 b)**

**Question:** What was the average cost per hour for each department of the above A-E?

**Answer:**

- a. \$325.15
- b. Nil
- c. \$410.46
- d. \$266.67
- e. \$330.00

**PM68 c)**

**Question:** How much is it estimated that each department and agency will spend in 2008-09 on:

- a. Consultants in total

- b. ITC Consultants
- c. Legal Consultants
- d. HR Consultants
- e. Accounting Consultants

Answer: a. \$119,554.30  
b. \$52,320.00  
c. \$41,097.00  
d. \$3,142.80  
e. Nil

**PM68 d)**

Question: What is the average cost per hour for each department and agency of the above A-E?

Answer: a. \$284.65  
b. \$290.66  
c. \$315.16  
d. \$360.00  
e. Nil

**PM68 e)**

Question: Over each year of the forward estimates, how much will each department and agency spend on:

- a. Consultants in total
- b. ITC Consultants
- c. Legal Consultants
- d. HR Consultants
- e. Accounting Consultants

Answer: a. \$246,000.00 <sup>2</sup>  
b. \$192,000.00  
c. \$50,000.00  
d. \$4,000.00  
e. Nil

Note 2: The figures provided are for 2009/2010. The office has not yet prepared an internal budget beyond 2009/2010 for consultancies.