Senate Finance & Public Administration Committee: Questions on Notice Additional Estimates 2013

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1.	PM&C	Brandis	Dissolution of the House of Representatives	Senator BRANDIS: What is the longest period between the advice to the Governor-General and the dissolution of the House of Representatives? Ms Leon: I will have to take that on notice.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 54	2/4/13	16/5/13

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2.	PM&C	Abetz	Illicit Drugs in Sports (IDIS) Program	Ms Leon: and so the administrative responsibility for those is now in the Department of Regional Affairs, Local Government, Arts and Sport. Questions on that issue would have to be directed there. As to the outcome— Senator ABETZ: But that is the administration. The decision was made in Prime Minister and Cabinet. Now, another portfolio has to administer this decision to cut \$5.6 million from the testing and research component of the Illicit Drugs in Sports (IDIS) Program. Senator Conroy: You would need to put any questions to the relevant ministers. Senator ABETZ: Yes, but why was this decision made by Prime Minister and Cabinet in the 2011-12 budget? Ms Leon: At that time we had responsibility for arts and sport and that part of the department has since been moved to another department and they are the people who will able to answer your question. Senator ABETZ: Yes, and I am sure that when I go to them they will say, 'We are now administering but it was Prime Minister and Cabinet that made the decision and we now just have to administer it.'. Senator Conroy: We cannot assist you in guessing what might be in an answer but if you have a question— Senator ABETZ: Senator Fifield wants to know whether these savings from this measure will be directed to the Australian Crime Commission. Minister, as representing the Prime Minister, responsible for overall government policies— Senator Conroy: I am happy to take on notice— Senator Conroy: I am happy to take on notice— Senator Senator Fificing and research components of illicit drugs in sports, given what we have now been preventative—	FPA, Monday, 11 February 2013, Page 61	2/4/13	16/5/13

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3.	PM&C	Abetz	FOI – AWU case, PMO FOI Decision	Senator ABETZ: Can you confirm that there are documents in existence generated by key staff and other taxpayer funded officials in the Prime Minister's office relating to the Australian Workers Union fraud scandal? Senator Conroy: I am afraid that I think your question seeks to put words in my mouth. I am happy to take on notice the question. I thought I read out that the decision-maker found the documents sought by the applicant would not be official documents because they did not relate to the affairs of an agency or department. Senator ABETZ: So there are documents in existence— Senator Conroy: I am happy to take on notice to make sure we get you an exact answer to your question. Senator ABETZ: Were those documents itemised that were denied to the Australian? As I understand it, with FOI documents one has to identify them with a date and subject matter even if you are not going to release them. I understand that that has not even occurred. Senator Conroy: I am not in a position to agree or disagree with you. Senator ABETZ: If you could take that on notice— Senator Conroy: I am happy to take that on notice— Senator ABETZ: and if that assertion is correct, could you explain why that process was not followed to tell us how many documents at least are in existence by taxpayer funded key staff working on this AWU fraud scandal in the Prime Minister's office.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 62	2/4/13	16/5/13
4.	PM&C	Abetz	FOI – Senate Estimates Briefs - Consultation	Senator ABETZ: It is the 12 per cent that undoubtedly frustrates a lot of people in the community. One assumes that the 88 per cent are the noncontroversial ones. If we can move on in relation to this specific request: can you advise whether there had been any third-party consultation previously, or had it been considered previously and rejected by other officials? Ms Leon: I do not believe there had been a previous consideration of conducting that third-party consultation and then rejecting it. I will take that on notice to confirm but I am not aware that any such prior process occurred. Senator ABETZ: I accept that but if you could take that on notice, I would be indebted to you.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 63	2/4/13	16/5/13

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5.	PM&C	Abetz	FOI – Senate Estimates Briefs - 3 rd Party Consultation	Senator ABETZ: In relation to the 47 pages and how many pages does the third-party consultation relate to? Ms Leon: I would have to take that on notice. Senator ABETZ: Can I suggest to you not all 47 pages? So can I then ask: on what basis were all the pages withheld from the opposition?	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 64	2/4/13	16/5/13
6.	PM&C	Sinodinos	Election Announcement – Consultation with PM&C	If I can just move on. The Prime Minister has indicated that she had, more or less, made this decision over the summer and then consulted some of her political colleagues. When did the Prime Minister consult the Prime Minister's department about the implications of making such an announcement? Senator Conroy: I am happy to take that on notice. I am unaware because I was on leave for most of January and I was— Senator SINODINOS: I am asking about the department's— Senator SINODINOS: Then, potentially on notice, do you take the following question: whether the department was asked to provide advice not only legally—or in terms of standing conventions—but in terms of implications for the economy or for policy generally or for good governance in announcing the date so far ahead of when it is usually done? Senator Conroy: I am happy to take that on notice. There is nothing I could add, even if I wanted to. I do not think you should undermine Senator Brandis's stellar performance from earlier today—do we have Humpty Dumpty there? That is very naughty of you.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 65	2/4/13	16/5/13
7.	PM&C	Ronaldson	Government House Function	Senator RONALDSON: Do you know whether the Prime Minister was at an afternoon tea with the families of ADF servicemen, as well as the lunch? Ms Leon: On that day? Senator RONALDSON: Yes. Ms Leon: Was it a Government House function? Senator RONALDSON: They were both— Ms Leon: If they are Government House functions, then the department is not involved in organising those. Page 68 Senate Monday, 11 February 2013 Senator RONALDSON: Was the Prime Minister at both? Ms Leon: I would have to take that question on notice because she may well have been invited through her office and we would not necessarily know.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Pages 67-68	2/4/13	16/5/13

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8.	PM&C	Sinodinos	Green Tape Backflip	Senator SINODINOS: There was an article published in the Australian Financial Review on 6 December, 'Green tape backflip riles big business', which outlined the Commonwealth decision to reverse the prior policy commitment to take action on green tape—this was on one-stop-shops on environmental approvals, I think—to be negotiated on a bilateral basis with various states. This came as a shock because it seemed to be an outcome of the previous meeting of the Business Advisory Forum that there would be such a green tape reduction. First and foremost: did PM&C receive any representations from environmental interest groups on this matter? Dr Bacon: Which period are you referring to in terms of when representations might have been received? Senator SINODINOS: In the period up to 6 December. Dr Bacon: I think there have been a range of views expressed by different non-government environment organisations and groups about the decision at COAG to pursue approvals, bilateral agreements, and many of those views have been published in the media and in other forums. Dr de Brouwer: There was extensive stakeholder consultation in advance of that process or as part of that process, so those views were incorporated in that as well. Senator SINODINOS: Did the department brief the Prime Minister or the Prime Minister's office about those representations? Dr Bacon: I cannot recall a specific briefing coming from the department. Senator SINODINOS: Could you check whether that was the case? I suppose what I am getting at is: what was the decision-making process that led the Prime Minister on almost the very day of the COAG meeting to say that she would not be proceeding with that promised green-tape reduction measure? Dr Bacon: I am happy to take on notice to check whether there were specific briefings provided.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Pages 73-74	2/4/13	16/5/13
9.	PM&C	Payne	Staffing CRC & COAG Unit	Senator PAYNE: You might want to take this one on notice in relation to staffing both in the COAG Reform Council and in PM&C for COAG functions: can you indicate whether there has been any net increase or decrease in the staffing levels in both areas for COAG functions during 2012-13; are there any significant staffing level changes expected in this financial year or the next? Could I have a staffing breakdown for both those areas on notice, please. Ms Cross: I think the CRC will need to respond about CRC resources.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 75	2/4/13	16/5/13

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10.	PM&C	Payne	Murray-Darling Basin – ACT Calculation	Senator PAYNE: One question on a specific detail that you provided in that report: how was the percentage breakdown arrived at for the Legislative and Governance Forum on the Murray-Darling Basin and how did the ACT cop 0.3 per cent? Ms Cross: I would have to check that for you, I was not party to those discussions. It possibly has something to do with either their respective populations or the amount of water that flows through their jurisdiction. Senator PAYNE: The part of the river system that flows through their jurisdiction. Ms Cross: There would be some basis for it. Senator PAYNE: I was hoping there would be. If you could you take that on notice, Ms Cross? Ms Cross: Yes.	FPA, Monday 11 February 21013, Page 76	2/4/13	16/5/13
11.	PM&C	Payne	Murray-Darling Basin – Non-reward Payment reform	Senator PAYNE: But in relation to non-reward payment reforms—if I can put it like that—as I understand it, there are 22 of those and only seven of those are achieved or are on track, 11 have their time frame at risk and four have their output at risk, according to the CRC. So that is not actually an outstanding reflection of the responsiveness. Mr Hazlehurst: I think some of those depend a little on how you actually count them. I am happy to take this question on notice and break it down for you. For example, in relation to some of the competition reforms, the CRC has chosen to break a number of those into in one case, I think, four sub reforms and is including those in those numbers that you just referred to.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 80	2/4/13	16/5/13
12.	PM&C	Payne	Mr McClintock's Final Speech	Senator PAYNE: Can I refer you on notice as well as that to Mr McClintock's final speech, which he made on 19 November, where he made some observations about the national agreement model? I will give you the part of the speech that I mean—on notice obviously. I would be interested to know whether the government is looking at or whether the CRC has provided advice to the government on any steps that could be taken to address the concerns that he raises in that particular area. Mr Hazlehurst: Sure.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 80	2/4/13	16/5/13

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13.	PM&C	Payne	CRC Chair Appointment Process	Senator PAYNE: How was Mr Brumby chosen to be the chair of the COAG Reform Councl? Did the department provide advice to the Prime Minister on that? Mr Hazlehurst: Yes, the department provided advice on potential appointees to the role and then the Prime Minister made a decision. Senator PAYNE: Can you tell us if there was a large number or a small number of potential appointees? Mr Hazlehurst: We normally narrow it down to a manageable number of people for the Prime Minister to consider. Senator PAYNE: Was Mr Brumby in that group that you put to the Prime Minister for consideration? Mr Hazlehurst: I actually do not recall. I could take that on notice. Senator PAYNE: Thank you very much. What input do the states and territories have in relation to the appointment of the chair of the CRC? Mr Hazlehurst: The chair of the CRC is at the discretion of the Commonwealth. Senator PAYNE: I understand that, but do they have any input? Mr Hazlehurst: I do not believe they had input on this occasion. Senator PAYNE: Have they previously had input? Mr Hazlehurst: I do not know. Senator PAYNE: Can you take that on notice, please? Mr Hazlehurst: I will take that on notice.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Pages 80-81	2/4/13	16/5/13
14.	PM&C	Payne	CRC Chair Appointment Process	Senator PAYNE: Is the CRC chair's position an appointment that is considered by cabinet? Mr Hazlehurst: No, I do not believe so. Senator PAYNE: So it is essentially— Mr Hazlehurst: We will check that, but I am reasonably sure it is not. Senator PAYNE: Thank you very much. Can you indicate whether there were any concerns raised by any of the states territories after Mr Brumby's appointment? Mr Hazlehurst: Not raised with us. Senator PAYNE: Not raised with the department? Dr de Brouwer: I am not aware of any, but we will take that on notice to check.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 81	2/4/13	16/5/13

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15.	PM&C	Fifield	NDIS	Senator FIFIELD: Again, direct me to FaHCSIA, if you need to. In the Heads of Agreement between the Commonwealth and New South Wales at point 21 where it says, 'The Commonwealth's funding of \$3.319 billion in 2018-19 will pay for client supports and administration of the scheme'—are you able to give me a breakdown of \$3.319 billion as to how much of that would be money that the Commonwealth would already have been putting into disability services? I know it is not called the Commonwealth state disability agreement anymore but through that agreement and through other mechanisms? I am trying to get a handle on how much of that is new money. Ms Hosking: FaHCSIA might be able to give you some more information, but I think we would have to take that one on notice. Senator FIFIELD:If you could. The parliament as a whole is endeavouring to get a better understanding of the year-by-year funding of the NDIS. It can be a little tricky because the Productivity Commission had a funding profile and the Australian Government Actuary has a funding profile which fundamentally endorses the work of the Productivity Commission. We have then got the money that was put in the forward estimates from last year's budget. I know that this figure is beyond the forward estimates period, but could you take on notice how much of that money is what would ordinarily be projected for the Commonwealth to be providing to New South Wales in whatever form in 2018-19? How much of the \$3.3-odd billion would be the continuation of the funding profile which came about as a result of the money in last year's budget, and how much is what we might call new money, for want of a better phrase? That would be helpful.	FPA, Monday 11 2013, Page 83	2/4/13	16/5/13

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16.	PM&C	Ryan	Witness Availability	Dr de Brouwer: The officers were here before. They were here for most of this afternoon's discussion. They were called in, I thought, at around 4.30 or 5.00—there were these other meetings. Senator RYAN: When are they going to get out? Dr de Brouwer: I thought that they were on their way. I cannot answer that. I am not sure now. Senator RYAN: Can you take on notice the following. I would like to know: when the notification was sent to the committee; who signed it off; and who sent it. And can I suggest that next time staff are going to be drawn out of here—a schedule known a long time in advance. There is one meeting that happens in this building which is used as a reason for such things and I would hope that it would be something related to that and not an interdepartmental committee or something. Dr de Brouwer: It is not an interdepartmental committee. Senator Conroy: It is a serious meeting.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 86	2/4/13	16/5/13
17.	PM&C	Ryan	PM Meeting with Small Business Commissioner	Senator RYAN: I imagine that you may have to take these questions on notice. I have questions with respect to the Prime Minister's office and whether or not the Prime Minister has met with the Small Business Commissioner yet and, if so, on what dates? Senator Conroy, I imagine that is something you would probably take on notice. Senator Conroy: I can take that on notice for you.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 89	2/4/13	16/5/13

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18.	PM&C	Ryan	PM's Closing the Gap Speech	Senator RYAN: That is all I have on that. I would now like to turn to the Prime Minister's speech about Closing the Gap. In this speech the Prime Minister referred to statistics on the positive impact of the former Northern Territory Labor government's banned drinker's register and called upon the Northern Territory government to reintroduce it, as I understand it. In defence of the register the Prime Minister claimed that there was a drop in alcohol related assaults in Darwin, Palmerston, Katherine and Alice Springs while the register was in place. She also maintained that since its abolition there were five alcohol related deaths around Alice Springs over the Christmas-New Year period and a rise in admissions at the emergency department in Alice Springs. Were you or the department involved in the preparation of that speech? Mr Ronalds: Yes, we were. Senator RYAN: Who sourced the statistics for that speech? Mr Ronalds: If you are referring to those particular statistics, I will need to take that on notice. Senator RYAN: Okay. Is there anyone here who could discuss those statistics? Mr Ronalds: I do not think so, Senator. Those statistics would be managed by FaHCSIA. Senator RYAN: Where in PM&C would this speech have been prepared? Mr Ronalds: It was in my division. I have a team dedicated to Indigenous issues that worked with FaHCSIA to help prepare that speech. Each of the facts is sourced from the department that has policy responsibility. Senator RYAN: So they came from FaHCSIA? Mr Ronalds: Yes, or potentially the Attorney-General's Department, which is why I wanted to take it on notice to find out exactly who would own those facts. Senator RYAN: Could you take on notice where those statistics were sourced from in particular, because I would like the opportunity to chase those up? Mr Ronalds: Yes.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 90	2/4/13	16/5/13

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19.	PM&C	Mason	Gonski Review	Senator MASON: Senator Sinodinos is right though. Is the funding driving the model or is the model driving the funding. That is really the issue—isn't that right? Originally, it was all about the model and the loadings. I understand that, Ms Wilson; I am not trying to be totally cynical about this. No, I am not, Minister, I know the Gonski model and I know the particular loadings. The problem is, is it really about refining that or is that just about how much money the Commonwealth can scrounge from the states? Senator CONROY: I really think you are asking an opinion now rather than a question. Senator MASON: You can answer this. Senator CONROY: I can take it on notice for you and see what answer I can get for you. I do not think you can ask the officer for an opinion. Senator SINODINOS: In that context, if you are taking questions on notice, what about what the Commonwealth may have put aside in an envelope for this particular process? Senator Conroy: I am sure we are not in a position where we could reveal our negotiating hand to you, Senator Sinodinos. Senator SINODINOS: I am not asking that; I am asking whether there is an envelope that has been put to one side at the Commonwealth level for this exercise. Senator Conroy: I would have to take that on notice.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 93	2/4/13	16/5/13

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20.	PM&C	Ryan	Cyber Security Centre	Senator RYAN: When was the decision taken to establish this particular centre in the way that you have described it in such detail? Dr McCarthy: I cannot remember exactly when government took the decision to establish the centre. I can take that on notice. Senator RYAN: The reason I ask is because the leaked white paper dated 11 December 2012 made no mention of the new centre. In fact, it noted the existing Cyber Security Operations Centre as having developed a comprehensive understanding of the cyber threat environment and that is able to coordinate responses to malicious cyber events that target government networks. I think the date when the government took the decision to establish this centre is important in the way that you have outlined. I would appreciate it if you could take that on notice. Did PM&C—and I assume that this would mean you, Dr McCarthy—consult Defence officials as part of the process you outlined on the need for the centre?	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013,Page 101	2/4/13	16/5/13
21.	PM&C	Ronaldson	National security statement - Correction	Dr McCarthy: I must apologise for that inaccuracy. There was an important caveat left off that. As soon as we realised that, we corrected the statement. That is a mistake that should have been corrected in the department and was not. Senator RONALDSON: By whom? Dr McCarthy: I take responsibility for that. Senator RONALDSON: This went to the Defence minister presumably. It went to the Defence minister's office presumably. Dr McCarthy: I do not have the details of the interactions between the Prime Minister's office and other ministers' offices in relation to this— Senator RONALDSON: You are surely not suggesting that a statement like this would not be run past the Defence minister's office. Dr McCarthy: As I said, Senator, I do not have the detail. Senator RONALDSON: Are you going to take that on notice? Dr McCarthy: I can.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 104	2/4/13	16/5/13

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22.	22. PM&C	Faulkner	Open Government Partnership – Parliamentary Secretary's Letter	Senator FAULKNER: Can you say the date of that letter, please. Ms Leon: It was 17 September 2012. Senator FAULKNER: Would you mind taking on notice for me as to whether that response can be provided to the committee. I accept that you probably are not able to make that decision without consulting the Prime Minister or the Prime Minister's office—unless you can table it, I assume you cannot. Ms Leon: I think I should take that on notice. Senator FAULKNER: Fair enough. If you could, I would appreciate it.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 109	2/4/13	16/5/13
23.	PM&C	Ryan	YouTube Video – AFP Inquiry	Senator RYAN: One document and one of the public reports also says that the former Prime Minister has previously taken his concerns about the investigation to the secretary of PM&C. Had Dr Watt met with the former Prime Minister about this? Ms Leon: Dr Watt spoke with the former Prime Minister while we were conducting our own internal investigation and kept him informed about the progress of that investigation. Some of that contact was not directly with Mr Rudd but with his then chief of staff. I am not aware of any more recent contact between the secretary and Mr Rudd, but I am happy to take on notice whether there has been any. Senator RYAN: I would appreciate that. That is all that we have for PM&C.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Pages 110-111	2/4/13	16/5/13
24.	PM&C	Ryan	Minister's Resignation	 How is the department advised of Minister's resignation? When was the department first advised of the planned resignation of Minister Roxon and Minister Evans/ Were there any portfolio policy responsibilities (either in Minister Roxon's or Minister Evan's portfolio) during the Cabinet reshuffle that PM&C had to assume responsibility of lead agency, because the departments were transitioning to new Ministers? 	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13
25.	PM&C	Ryan	Budget Advice	 On what date was PM&C first advised by Treasury that the Government would most likely not be able to deliver a surplus budget? Did PM&C have any input into the timing of the Treasurer's announcement on 20 December 2012, that the Government would most likely not be able to deliver a surplus budget? 	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13

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26.	PM&C	Ryan	Cyber Security Centre	 Where will the Australian Cyber Security Centre be located? Within the which department? And where geographically? The Department of Defence's Cyber Security Operations Centre was only set up in 2010 yet it is already being disbanded, why is this? How are departments involved being instructed to allocate funds to the Australian Cyber Security Centre? Who is likely to head the Australian Cyber Security Centre? Will the position be advertised? Many commentators – both local and international – have spoken of the dangers of China especially when it comes to cyber-security attacks. Will the department be instructed to focus resources on China? 	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13
27.	PM&C	Ryan	PM's Wine Cellar	 Are guidelines provided to the PM and PM's spouse, regarding access to the cellar? On what occasions can the cellar be accessed? Is it only for official formal gatherings or is it at the PM and the PM's spouse discretion? What costs have been incurred in stocking and restocking the wine cellar in each financial year since July 2010? Please attach a list of wines purchased for the wine cellar. 	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13
28.	PM&C	Mckenzie	Cyber Safety's High Wire Act	Could you please advise what progress has been made in relation to the recommendations from the Joint Select Committee on Cyber Safety's High Wire Act?	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13
29.	PM&C	Bushby	Referendum on Constitutional Recognition of Local Government	If a referendum were to be held on Constitutional Recognition of Local Government in conjunction with this year's Federal election, or otherwise, what processes would the Government and/or the Department follow to ensure the decision of who to fund to conduct any 'Yes' or 'No' campaigns is made in a transparent and open manner?	Written	Transferred to Senate RRAT Committee with DRALGAS to respond.	16/5/13
30.	PM&C	Sinodinos	AUSEM Model and Economic Shocks	Given the response on page 72 of testimony of Monday, 11 February 2013, can the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet indicate which economic shocks has the department modelled using the AUSEM Model in the past 6 months?	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13
31.	PM&C	Sinodinos	Green Tape reduction commitment	Given the response on page 73 and 74 of testimony of Monday, 11 February 2013, can the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet confirm whether the department briefed the Prime Minister or the Prime Minister's office regarding representations from non-government environment organisations?	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13

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32.	PM&C	Sinodinos	Developing strategies to deal with urban violence in Western Sydney	Given the response on page 74 of testimony of Monday, 11 February 2013, can the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet confirm whether the department received any representations from stakeholders who have an interest in stemming urban violence? If so, how many meetings has the department held?	Written	Answer - FPA Monday 11 Feb 2013, Page 107	16/5/13
33.	Commonw'lth Ombudsman	Ryan	Own Motion	Senator RYAN: I would like to turn to the matter of own motion work. I ask you to take the following questions on notice. How many own motions did the Ombudsman commence in 2012, the start and finish date of each of those, the subject matter for each of those and any specific terms contained in each of those? This is not an area with which I am particularly familiar. Is the work performed under own motions carried out by employees of the Ombudsman?	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 111	28/3/13	16/5/13

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34.	Commonw'lth Ombudsman	Ryan	Independence of the Ombudsman	Senator RYAN: We are pressed for time, Mr Neave, and I am not interrupting and I am not hyperventilating about this. I am not asking about the end report. If you do not wish to answer this question, that is fine but the question I have asked I am now asking for the third time is, without restating it, what I asked previously: do you think it is appropriate; do you think that is a contract you would award; and do you think it stands up to the test of the Commonwealth Ombudsman not only being independent of the executive but actually being perceived to be independent of the executive—by people making the complaints for one matter? Mr Neave: My feeling is that the skills and experience of the person that we have taken on to do this job are appropriate for completing it. If I were faced with this decision, I would need to have the full facts, to meet the person—which I have not done—to perhaps look at his or her CV and take into account all the issues which someone would need to take into account. I am not really able— Senator RYAN: Could you take on notice, because I do not expect you to have it handy—unless Mr Masri can answer it due to his previous knowledge—whether the CV or tender for this actually declared the previous activities of person; and also will you consider asking people who tender for work or inquiring a little further, if you are dealing with a particularly sensitive area, whether there is information like this that could jeopardise the perception of independence of the Ombudsman or the work they undertake? Mr Neave: I certainly think that we should take into account all factors which are relevant to the skills that a person might bring to any job which might be done for the Ombudsman as a contractor, yes. I think all those issues should be taken into account.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 113	28/3/13	16/5/13
35.	Australian National Audit Office	Ryan	Staff Travel	Senator RYAN: I will start with a couple of small issues. In response provided to a question on notice following budget estimates last October, the ANAO reported 30 travel or purchasing cards were provided to APS3 staff, but according to your annual report there are only 17 staff at APS3 level. Do staff have more than one card? Or was it just a typo? Mr McPhee: We would need to check that out. Mr Chapman has just reminded me that it could have been our graduates and there could be a timing issue in terms of numbers. I will take that on notice and provide the committee with advice on that.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 115	2/4/13	16/5/13

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36.	Australian National Audit Office	Ryan	Credit Cards	Senator RYAN: I understand that you provide 292 corporate credit cards—for lack of a better way of describing it—amongst about 365 staff. I understand that you have a lot of people at the higher level who travel, and about 80 per cent of staff get a corporate credit card. Mr McPhee: Under the previous system, quite a lot of staff had corporate credit cards because our audit team do travel. We only have an office in Canberra these days and so to do work across the country we need to travel. But, under the new travel arrangements, we have tightened up on who has cards. If you like, we can give you an update on that. Senator RYAN: Sure.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 115	2/4/13	16/5/13
37.	Australian National Audit Office	Ryan	Travel Costs	Senator RYAN: Sure. Similarly, in an answer provided on notice following the supplementary budget estimates in October, you reported that \$1,577,893 was spent on travel in 2011-12. Yet, I understand that in the previous year, 2010-11, the ANAO spent \$1.081 million on travel. It does represent about a half-million dollar increase, which, as a 50 per cent jump, strikes me as fairly significant. It is probably more about what might happen with a change of audit. I was wondering why it increased so much? Was it just the audit schedule requiring more travel? Mr McPhee: I agree with you. It does seem like an increase. Senator RYAN: It could be that it is counted differently; I appreciate that. Mr McPhee: I have one of our colleagues, Mitch Frost, with us but he was not in his role as CFO at the time. Unless Mitch is giving me a signal that he knows the answer, I think we should take that on notice as well.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 115	2/4/13	16/5/13

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38.	Australian Public Service Commission	Ryan	Taxi Costs	Senator RYAN: In response to a question on notice from supplementary budget estimates last October, the APSC advised that in 2011-12, \$150,684 plus GST was spent on taxis. Inclusive of GST, it comes to just over \$711 per staff member. Senator Conroy: They are worth it. They do not work for Sophie Mirabella, do they? Senator RYAN: It also represents an increase of more than \$17,000 on 2010-11. Firstly, why are taxi costs going up? That is a significant jump. Secondly, do you think \$711 a head is reasonable, given I do not think all your staff travel? Mr Sedgwick: I do not know the answer to your question. Could you give me the number of the question? Senator RYAN: Question on notice No. 131 in the PM&C portfolio, is the note I have here. Mr Sedgwick: No, I do not know the answer to that question. We will find out for you.	FPA, Monday 11 February 2013, Page 118	2/4/13	16/5/13
39.	Australian Public Service Commission	Di Natale	Measurement of Cultural Diversity in APS	What steps is the Australian Public Service Commission taking to measure the number of culturally and linguistically diverse Commonwealth employees?	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13
40.	Australian Public Service Commission	Di Natale	APS Accessibility to Cultural Diversity	2) What measures is the Australian Public Service Commission taking to increase the accessibility of public sector positions to people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds?	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13
41.	Australian Public Service Commission	Di Natale	Prejudice Favouring Anglo Sounding Names	3) How is the Australian Public Service Commission encouraging Commonwealth departments to ensure that departmental HR staff reflect on their own practices in the light of research showing what may be inadvertent prejudice favouring those with Anglo-Saxon sounding names?	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13

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42.	Australian Public Service Commission	Mason	Unscheduled Absences	 Unscheduled absences appeared on the agenda for the meeting of the Secretaries Board of the Australian Public Service Commission in November 2012. With respect to unscheduled absences: a) What specifically was discussed at the meeting? b) Were any reports tabled? c) What were the outcomes of the meeting and what action was agreed to be taken? d) Will the minutes of the meeting be made publicly available? When will unscheduled absences next be considered by the Secretaries Board and what specific matters will be addressed? Please provide a breakdown of unscheduled absences in the Australian Public Service in each of the five years to 2011/12 according to: a) APS job classification; b) gender; and c) days of the week. Please provide a list of each category of unscheduled absences (sick leave, carer's leave and other) for the five worst-performing large Australian Public Service agencies (i.e. agencies with over 1,000 APS employees) in each of the five years to 2011/12. 	Written	2/4/13	16/5/13

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43.	All Agencies	Ryan	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?	Witten	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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44.	All Agencies	Ryan	Staffing	How many ongoing staff left the department/agency this financial year to date? What classification were these staff? How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency this financial year to date? What classification were these staff? How many contract staff left department/agency in the year this financial year to date? What classification were these staff?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
45.	All Agencies	Ryan	Staffing	Are there any plans for staff reduction? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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46.	All Agencies	Ryan	Making the Public Service more efficient	Please provide an update of the savings achieved through pursuing further efficiencies in the way the public service operates (see media release by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation and the Special Minister of State of 25 September 2012 http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_1982012.html). In addition, please provide the following detail: Can you quantify the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates for reductions in air travel? Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much? Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
47.	All Agencies	Ryan	Printing costs	How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed this financial year to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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48.	All Agencies	Ryan	Graduate Recruitment	How much has been spent on 2014 Graduate Recruitment to date? Please itemise and detail costs. Has any travel been incurred for 2014 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.	Witten	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
49.	All Agencies	Ryan	Staffing	How much was spent on 2013 Graduate Training? Provide details of what training was provided, why and the estimated cost for each.		ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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50.	All Agencies	Ryan	Advertising	What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date? Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services. Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item. Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided 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	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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51.	All Agencies	Ryan	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 including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13	16/5/13
				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 all events including any catering and drinks costs.		NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	
				What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.			
				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 all events including any catering and drinks costs.			
				What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.			
				For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.			
				What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.			
				For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.			
				Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?			

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52.	All Agencies	Ryan	Meeting Costs	What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
				What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.			
53.	All Agencies	Ryan	Program Launch Costs	What is the Department/Agency's program launch spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total program launch spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. What program launch spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
				For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what program launch spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. What is the Department/Agency's program launch spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total program launch spend for 2011-12. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.			

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54.	All Agencies	Ryan	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	OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13 (portfolio response)	16/5/13
55.	All Agencies	Ryan	Freedom of Information	Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests? What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date? 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 and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
56.	All Agencies	Ryan	Community Cabinet Meetings	How many Community Cabinet meetings has the Minister attended this financial year to date? List date and location. 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. Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location. What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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57.	All Agencies	Ryan	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? Has the Government responded to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not? What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews? What reviews are planned? When will each of these reviews be concluded? 	Written	OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13 (portfolio response)	16/5/13
58.	All Agencies	Ryan	Consultancies	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	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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59.	All Agencies	Ryan	Media Monitoring	 What is 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 these services for the year 2012-13? What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date? What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for this financial year to date? Which agency or agencies provided these services? What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date? 	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
60.	All Agencies	Ryan	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 May 2012 Budget Estimates? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issued. Does the department/agency monitor usage of social media? If yes, provide details of the useage (for example details could include average hours per employee, hours when useage peaks). Has there been a change to the department/agency protocols due to staff useage? If no, why not? Will the department/agency monitor useage in the future? Does social media impact on employee productivity? Provide details (details could include increased internet usage in general or increased internet usage in standard business hours)	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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61.	All Agencies	Ryan	Staff Amenities	What amenities are provided to staff? Provide a list.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
62.	All Agencies	Ryan	Coffee Machines	Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. Why were coffee machines purchased? Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from? Who has access? Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee? Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. Why are coffee machines rented? Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from? Who has access? Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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				was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?			
63.	All Agencies	Ryan	Contractors	 For this financial year to date: Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 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 (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company? 	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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				If yes, provide details.What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).			
64.	All Agencies	Ryan	Grants	Could the department/agency provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants. Have all grant agreement details been published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details. Provide a list of grants that your department/agency administers that had uncommitted grants funding reduced as per the statement by the Finance Minister on 22 October 2012 (see http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_2102012.html). How much was funding reduced for grant?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
65.	All Agencies	Ryan	Commissioned Reports	How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency 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? • What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?	Written	OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13 (portfolio response)	16/5/13

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66.	All Agencies	Ryan	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? Provide details, including 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	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
67.	All Agencies	Ryan	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? What are the department/agency's stationery costs for the financial year to date?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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68.	All Agencies	Ryan	Media Subscriptions	 What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel. What is the cost for this financial year to date? What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each. What is the cost for this financial year to date? What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each. What is the cost for this financial year to date? 	Witte	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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69.	All Agencies	Ryan	Travel Costs	For the financial year to date, please detail travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). For the financial year to date, please detail travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. What travel is planned for the rest of this financial year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. Are the Government's Lowest Practical Fare travel policy for Domestic Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/10) and Best Fare of the Day for International Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/11) guidelines being followed? How is the department/agency following the advice? How is this monitored? If the guidelines are not being followed, 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 total costs of the lounge memberships. When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel. Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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70.	All Agencies	Ryan	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	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
71.	All Agencies	Ryan	Education expenses	What is the department/agency's guidelines on study? 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, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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72.	All Agencies	Ryan	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 (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 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 5. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) The total amount spent on the service e) 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: i. The location used 6. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 7. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) ii. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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73.	All Agencies	Ryan	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 (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 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 5. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 6. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) c) The total amount spent on the service d) 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: i. The location used ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion iii. The number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) iv. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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74.	All Agencies	Ryan	Paid Parental Leave	Please list how many staff in each 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 and their classification are in receipt of these payments. What is the paid parental scheme offered by each department and agency? How many staff have used the scheme this financial year to date.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
75.	All Agencies	Ryan	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	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
76.	All Agencies	Ryan	Corporate Cars	How cars are owned by each department/agency? 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	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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77.	All Agencies	Ryan	Taxi Costs	How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for taxi costs?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
78.	All Agencies	Ryan	Hire Cars	How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for hire car costs?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
79.	All Agencies	Ryan	Credit Cards	Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. Please update details of the gollowing? • What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? • How is corporate credit card use monitored? • What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? • Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. • What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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80.	All Agencies	Ryan	Provision of Equipment	For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs? For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date? Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it. 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.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
81.	All Agencies	Ryan	Electricity Purchasing	What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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82.	All Agencies	Ryan	Briefings for the Australian Greens and Independents	 Have any briefings and/or provision of information s been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include: How are briefings requests commissioned? What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include: How are briefings requests commissioned? What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information? 	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
83.	All Agencies	Ryan	Shredders	Has the department/agencies purchased any shredders this financial year? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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84.	All Agencies	Ryan	Protective security policy framework	Provide an update for your department/agency, including what is your current compliance level, what are you doing to manage risk, what is being done to comply with the mandatory requirements and details of any department/agency specific policies and procedures.	Whiteh	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13
85.	All Agencies	Ryan	Office Locations	 Please provide a list of all office locations for all departments and agencies within the portfolio by: a. Department/Agency; b. Location; c. Leased or Owned; d. Size; e. Number of Staff at each location and classification; f. If rented, the amount and breakdown of rent per square metre; g. If owned, the value of the building; h. Depreciation of buildings that are owned; i. Type of functions and work undertaken. 	Witten	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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86.	All Agencies	Ryan	Communications Staff	 For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: By Department or agency: How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location How many are graphic designers? How many are media managers? How many organise events? Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications? 	Written	ONA 21/3/13 OIGIS 27/3/13 OCO 28/3/13 APSC 2/4/13 OOSGG 2/4/13 NMHC 2/4/13 ANAO 2/4/13 DPMC 2/4/13	16/5/13

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