

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

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**Department of Finance and Deregulation**

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**Senator Coonan asked:**

Perhaps you could provide [the savings] as a list so that I can see the agencies. Could you also indicate just in the interests of time so that I do not keep you here all night what is referable to what agency? In other words for a particular contract or saving, how it that attributed to each particular agency?

**Answer:**

A list of the savings (by agency) as a result of Phase 1 of the ICT BAU review is attached. The list also identifies the major categories of savings for each agency.

## ATTACHMENT A: Savings Identified in Phase 1 of the Information Communications Technology (ICT) Business as Usual Efficiency (BAU) Review

### Cost Reduction Initiative Key

C: Changes to contracts and contractors

SW: Changes to software expenditure

HW: Changes in hardware management

O: Other

Agency	Agency Savings - Fiscal Balance Terms (positive numbers indicate improvement to the Budget bottom line)					Initiatives identified by agencies in Phase 1			
	2009-10 (\$m)	2010-11 (\$m)	2011-12 (\$m)	2012-13 (\$m)	Total <sup>1</sup> (\$m)	C	SW	HW	O
Attorney-General's Department <sup>2</sup>	0.868	0.877	0.887	0.898	3.530	✓	✓		✓
AusAID	0.327	0.330	0.333	0.337	1.327	✓		✓	✓
Australian Bureau of Statistics	1.665	1.679	1.694	1.713	6.751			✓	✓
Australian Communications and Media Authority	0.176	0.178	0.974	-0.621	0.707	✓		✓	✓
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission	0.129	0.391	0.394	0.398	1.312				✓
Australian Crime Commission	0.959	0.967	0.976	0.986	3.888			✓	✓
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	6.254	18.984	19.209	19.436	63.883	✓	✓		✓
Australian Electoral Commission	0.347	0.359	0.363	0.367	1.436	✓			
Australian Federal Police	7.028	2.874	3.099	7.006	20.007	✓	✓	✓	✓
Australian Industrial Registry	0.160	0.162	0.163	0.166	0.651				✓
Australian National Audit Office	0.101	0.302	0.299	0.296	0.998	✓			✓
Australian Prudential Regulation Authority <sup>3</sup>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		✓		✓

<sup>1</sup> Minor discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

<sup>2</sup> One cost reduction initiative relates to activity funded through cost recovery. Savings will flow through to customers of AusCheck (worth \$60,000 per annum) and are not included in savings to the Budget bottom line.

<sup>3</sup> APRA identified savings of \$1.010 million over the forward estimates that will flow through to the finance industry via reduced levies.

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	2009-10 (\$m)	2010-11 (\$m)	2011-12 (\$m)	2012-13 (\$m)	Total <sup>4</sup> (\$m)	C	SW	HW	O
Australian Public Service Commission	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.104				✓
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	1.123	1.133	1.144	1.155	4.555	✓			✓
Australian Taxation Office	21.644	22.886	23.103	23.331	90.964	✓	✓	✓	✓
Austrade	0.794	1.244	1.290	1.302	4.630	✓	✓	✓	✓
AUSTRAC	0.229	0.312	0.351	0.318	1.210				✓
Bureau of Meteorology	2.042	1.287	1.364	1.971	6.664		✓	✓	✓
Centrelink	21.184	10.222	9.120	29.966	70.493				✓
ComSuper <sup>5</sup>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	✓		✓	✓
CrimTrac <sup>6</sup>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	✓			✓
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry <sup>7</sup>	0.819	2.017	2.208	2.230	7.274	✓	✓		✓
Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy	0.180	0.181	0.183	0.185	0.729	✓			✓
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	7.032	7.138	16.400	7.331	37.902	✓	✓	✓	✓
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	1.685	2.526	2.542	2.550	9.303	✓	✓		✓
Department of Finance and Deregulation	1.750	1.851	1.869	1.886	7.356	✓	✓		✓
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	2.799	2.822	2.850	2.877	11.348	✓			✓
Department of Health and Ageing	2.862	2.886	2.914	2.942	11.604				✓
Therapeutic Goods Administration <sup>8</sup>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000				✓
Department of Human Services	2.365	7.136	7.187	7.239	23.927	✓			✓
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	8.579	25.746	27.837	28.483	90.645	✓	✓	✓	✓

<sup>4</sup> Minor discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

<sup>5</sup> ComSuper identified savings of \$3.481 million over the forward estimates that will be retained by ComSuper for reinvestment in ICT.

<sup>6</sup> CrimTrac identified savings of \$2.312 million over the forward estimates that will be retained by Crimtrac for reinvestment in ICT.

<sup>7</sup> AQIS identified cost savings of \$8.068 million over the forward estimates that will be retained by AQIS for reinvestment in ICT.

<sup>8</sup> The TGA identified savings worth \$2.468 million over the forward estimates that will flow through to fees and charges to the therapeutic goods industry.

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	2009-10 (\$m)	2010-11 (\$m)	2011-12 (\$m)	2012-13 (\$m)	Total <sup>9</sup> (\$m)	C	SW	HW	O
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government	0.566	0.571	0.577	0.582	2.296	✓	✓		
Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research	3.160	0.610	0.622	0.635	5.026	✓		✓	✓
Department of Parliamentary Services	0.391	0.395	0.398	0.402	1.587	✓	✓	✓	✓
Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts	0.994	1.841	1.890	1.942	6.667	✓		✓	✓
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	0.035	0.036	0.268	0.038	0.376	✓		✓	✓
Department of the Treasury	0.197	0.189	0.192	0.196	0.774	✓	✓		✓
Department of Veterans' Affairs	2.307	6.950	7.018	7.087	23.362	✓		✓	✓
Family Court of Australia	0.196	0.198	0.200	0.202	0.796	✓			
Federal Court of Australia	0.174	0.176	0.177	0.179	0.706				✓
Geoscience Australia	0.504	0.953	1.455	1.455	4.367	✓			
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority	0.097	0.102	0.104	0.106	0.409	✓		✓	✓
Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia	0.074	0.223	0.225	0.227	0.749	✓			
IP Australia <sup>10</sup>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	✓		✓	✓
Medicare Australia	6.751	9.529	9.623	9.717	35.620	✓	✓	✓	✓
Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal	0.074	0.074	0.075	0.076	0.299	✓		✓	✓
National Archives of Australia	0.061	0.061	0.062	0.062	0.246	✓			✓
National Health and Medical Research Council	0.103	0.104	0.105	0.106	0.418				✓
National Native Title Tribunal	0.063	0.186	0.189	0.192	0.630	✓			
Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions	0.101	0.299	0.302	0.305	1.007	✓		✓	✓
Workplace Authority	0.188	0.190	0.191	0.193	0.762	✓			✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>109.164</b>	<b>139.200</b>	<b>152.453</b>	<b>168.476</b>	<b>569.293</b>				

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<sup>10</sup> IP Australia identified cost savings of \$4.056 million that will be retained by IP Australia for reinvestment in ICT.