

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2010–11 (May 2010)**

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Topic: Consultancies**

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**PM 69 – All Departments and Agencies – Senator Barnett**

How many consultancies have been undertaken or are underway since November 2007?

**ONA Response: 1**

Please identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the contract, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc).

**ONA Response: See table 1. below**

Table 1. Consultancies since November 2007

| Name       | Subject Matter  | Duration            | Amount      | Procurement Method |
|------------|---|---------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| iCognition | Scoping Study for Electronic document records management system | 20/03/09 – 20/05/09 | \$19,800.00 | Open               |

Please also include total value for all consultancies, including figures for total *spending* on consultancies and also *value of contracts awarded*? Provide total figures since November 2007 and a breakdown on these figures for FY 2008/09 and 2009/10 FYTD.

**ONA Response: See table 2. below**

Table 2. Breakdown of consultancies spending

|                    | 1 Nov 2007 | FY 2008/09 | FY 2009/10           |
|--------------------|------------|------------|----------------------|
| <b>Expenditure</b> | Nil        | Nil        | \$19,800.00          |
| <b>Breakdown</b>   | N/A        | N/A        | As at Table 1. above |

Is the Department/agency up to date with its reporting requirements on the Government's tenders and contacts website?

**ONA Response: Yes**

Are the figures available on that site correct?

ONA Response: Yes

How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year?

ONA Response: Nil

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, projected cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.

ONA Response: N/A

All answers should be current at the time the answer is submitted.