

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

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Topic: Government Payment of Accounts

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PM 70 – All Departments and Agencies – Senator Barnett

Has the portfolio/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (ie. within 30 days)? If not, why not, and 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.)

ONA Response: Yes

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?

ONA Response: Nil

Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?

ONA Response: N/A