

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Budget Estimates Hearing 21-24 May 2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of National Assessments

Outcome/Program: 1

Topic: Media Subscriptions

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

Has there been any change to your pay TV subscription since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?

- If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.
- What is the cost for this financial year to date?

ONA Response:

- No, there has not been any change to ONA's pay TV subscription.
- Expenditure FYTD \$32,888.

Question:

Has there been any change to your newspaper subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?

- If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.
- What is the cost for this financial year to date?

ONA Response:

- Newspaper subscriptions have been reduced to meet changed requirements within ONA's new premises:
 - Australian Financial Review from 10 to 6
 - Sydney Morning Herald from 10 to 7
 - The Australian from 9 to 6
 - Canberra Times from 9 to 7
 - The Age from 5 to 2
- Expenditure FYTD \$13,551.

Question:

Has there been any change to your magazine subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?

- If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines.
- What is the cost for this financial year to date?

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ONA Response:

- Magazine subscriptions for The Spectator and The Economist are more cost effectively provided through a local newsagent rather than overseas based subscriptions and delayed deliveries.
- Expenditure FYTD \$329.