

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome/Program: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Topic: Media monitoring

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

1. What was 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?
2. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
3. What is the estimated budget to provide this same services for the year 2011-12?
4. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?
5. 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?
6. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
7. What is the estimated budget to provide this same services for the year 2011-12?
 - a. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?

Answer:

1. Nil
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.
5. The total cost of media monitoring services provided to the Office for this financial year to date was \$6369.21.
6. Services were provided by Meltwater News and Sentia Media (Media Monitors).
7. The estimated budget for 2011-12 is \$7000.
- 7a. As per 5. above, the total cost of media monitoring services provided to the Office agency for this financial year to date was \$6369.21.