Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013-2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman Outcome/Program: 1 **Topic:** Consultancies

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Question:

- (1) How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date?
- (2) Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
- (3) How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year?
- (4) (a) Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not, why not?
 - (b) In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known

Answer:

- (1) Three.
- (2) See below as per AusTender.

Vendor	Subject Matter	Start	End	Cost	Procurement
		Date	Date	\$	Method
Joint Strategies Pty Ltd	Learning &	22/04/13	30/06/13	34,700	Limited
	Development Strategy				
Saltbush Consulting Group	ICT Consultancy	25/03/13	30/04/13	24,200	Open
	Services				_
Resolution Consulting	Independent Audit	01/09/12	31/08/15	37,500	Limited
Services Pty Ltd	Committee Chair				
	Person				
Total				96,400	

- (3) One.
- (4) (a) Yes.
 - (b) See below as per AusTender.

Vendor	Subject Matter	Start Date	End Date	Cost \$	Procurement Method
Ernst & Young	Internal Audit Services	01/07/13	30/06/16	т	Open
Total				120,000	