

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Additional Estimates - May 2013

ANSWER TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

Program 1: Support for the Governor-General and Official Activities

Outcome 1: The performance of the Governor-General's role is facilitated through the organisation and management of official duties, management and maintenance of the official household and property and administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system.

Topic: Staff Amenities

Senator: Ryan

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What amenities are provided to staff? Provide a list, including any costs and the reason for providing the amenity.

Answer:

Within Government House there is a small gym for the personal use of Their Excellencies. The Governor-General allows staff to make use of the facility outside working hours. The Government House tennis court has also occasionally been made available to staff and outside groups. Most office accommodation is air-conditioned. Staff have access to small kitchen areas for the preparation of meals. Seating areas are available in some work areas for meal breaks. Staff car parking is available on the grounds of Government/Admiralty House.