

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Question: PM 37

Outcome 1, Output 4.4

Topic: Luncheon for President Bush at The Lodge – Final Costs

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Senator Faulkner asked: I note that perhaps the department can provide final costs at a later stage. What other costs are you able to identify for us for this Lodge barbecue function? I am merely trying to identify all the costs in relation to this particular function borne by your department. Were there any other areas of expenditure that were borne by the department?

Answer:

Final costs (GST exclusive) for the luncheon at The Lodge, in honour of the President of the United States of America, are as follows:

Marquees and equipment	\$ 21,547.38
Food and beverage - official guests	\$ 4,602.41
Food - others	\$ 944.32
Additional staff costs	\$ 2,481.97
Floral arrangements	\$ 4,356.36
Bush band	\$ 1,363.64
Menu printing	\$ 380.00
Transport of guests to/from The Lodge	\$ <u>1,430.56</u>
TOTAL COST	\$ 37,106.64

The cost for the official photographer is not included. Refer to question PM41.