Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Finance and Administration

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing – October 2006

Question: F59

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Topic: Consultancies under the MOP(S) Act

Written Question on Notice

Senator Chris Evans asked:

Provide a list of the consultancies under the MOPS Act held by Geoffrey Cousins since 1996. For each consultancy:

- a. provide the total amount paid to Mr Cousins;
- b. indicate the start and end date;
- c. indicate the nature and scope of the work undertaken;
- d. the nature of the remuneration, e.g. daily fee, set amount, annual salary;
- e. Whether the consultancy was put out to public tender or competitive bid.

Answer:

a.- d.

Consultancy	Consultancy Start	Nature and scope of work	Nature of
Fee	and end Date		Remuneration
\$7,131.24	01/01/06-31/10/06	Advise and assist the Prime Minister	Fee
	Resigned -	in relation to the formulation of	
	18/09/06	communication strategies to promote	
		the Government's policies; and	
		undertake other tasks from time to	
		time as specified by the Prime	
		Minister	
\$9,968.27	01/01/05-31/12/05	As above	As above
\$10,044.82	01/01/04-31/12/04	As above	As above
\$10,006.48	01/01/03-31/12/03	As above	As above
\$10,006.48	01/01/02-31/12/02	As above	As above
\$5,022.41	01/07/01-31/12/01	As above	As above
\$9,968.14	01/07/00-30/06/01	As above	As above
\$11,386.58	06/10/99-05/01/00	As above	As above
\$45,028.77	06/10/98-05/10/99	As above	As above
\$45,028.76	06/10/97-05/10/98	As above	As above

e. No. Mr Cousins was employed under Part II of the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984*.