

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: PM17(a-c)

Topic: Credit card use

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- a) **Has the Prime Minister issued any advice or direction to Ministers in relation to Ministers being provided with credit cards by their Departments (other than Cabcharge cards) for official purposes? If so, what is the nature of that advice?**
- b) **Has the Prime Minister issued any advice or direction to Ministers in relation to Ministerial Staff being provided with credit cards by their Minister's Department (other than Cabcharge cards) for official purposes? If so, what is the nature of that advice?**
- c) **Has the Prime Minister, or his staff, been provided with credit cards by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet? If so, how many, of what type and to whom?**

Answer:

- a) No.
- b) No.
- c) The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has not provided the Prime Minister or his staff with credit cards.