Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

- 1. For the year 2010-11, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant.
- 2. For the FYTD, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant.

Answer:

1.

The department spent a total of \$929,872 on centrally coordinated training through its Capability Development Framework (CDF) during 2010-11. The courses ranged across core, mandatory, professional (technical) and leadership components which were delivered using outsourced providers (Australian Institute of Management (AIM) the Australian and New Zealand School of Government (ANZSOG), Australian National Institute of Public Policy (ANIPP), National Security College (NSC)), in-house delivery (project management, policy development and analysis) and through the studies assistance scheme.

Employee participation across CDF programs totals 2,196 occasions at an approximate cost of \$423 per employee.

Every employee who had been approved to access studies assistance was entitled to up to 6 hours study leave per week.

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The department has spent a total of \$267,298 from 1 July 2011 to 30 September 2011 on centrally coordinated training through its Capability Development Framework (CDF). The courses ranged across core, mandatory, professional (technical) and leadership components which were delivered using outsourced providers (AIM, ANZSOG, ANIPP, NSC), in-house delivery (project management, policy development and analysis) and through the studies assistance scheme.

Employee participation across CDF programs totals 738 occasions at an approximate cost of \$362 per employee.

Every employee who had been approved to access studies assistance was entitled to up to 6 hours study leave per week. Indigenous employees have an entitlement to an additional 6 hours per week through the enterprise agreement.