Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 17-18 OCTOBER 2011

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Topic: ICT and Services Expenditure

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

For the year 2010-11, how much did each department and agency spend on:

- a) ICT
- b) External Accounting
- c) External Auditing
- d) Memberships or grants paid to affiliate organisations

Answer:

- a) ICT expenditure for 2010-11 is disclosed in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) 2010-11 Annual Report (pages 218 and 256).
- b) The department spent \$27,512 on External Accounting advice for actuarial services.
- c) External Auditing costs are disclosed in the PM&C 2010-11 Annual Report (page 250).
- d) The department does not record membership data in a way that would readily allow answers to be provided to this question. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

Please refer to the response to PM141 – Discretionary Grants for details relating to grants for 2010-11.

The Department of the PM&C 2010-11 Annual Report also disclosed grant expenditure for 2010-11 (pages 219 and 256).