Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 15-18 October 2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet **Outcome/Program:** 1.1.3 Support Services for Government Operations

Topic: Grants 2011-12

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

Could the department/agency provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for 2011-12? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.

Were all grant agreement details published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details.

Answer:

In accordance with *Finance Circular No. 2009/04* and the Commonwealth Grant Guidelines, the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet is required to publish, on its website, information about individual grants no later than seven working days after the funding agreement for the grant takes effect. The Department's listing can be found at http://www.dpmc.gov.au/accountability/grants/index.cfm and includes details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.

There were three instances in the financial year 2011-12 where the Department did not publish the grant agreement details on its website in the required timeframe. All instances related to Arts and Sports programs that are now managed by the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport.