

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: Hospitality and Entertainment 2011-12

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

1. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for 2011-12. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.
3. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for 2011-12? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for 2011-12. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.

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Answer:

1.&3.

For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) spent \$98,942.52 (GST inclusive) on official hospitality. Details are provided at [Attachment A](#).

In the rare case that entertainment costs are incurred by PM&C the costs are not recorded separately from official hospitality.

2&4.

The Prime Minister's (Administered funding) official hospitality is provided through funding appropriated for State Occasions and Official Visits and Ceremonial Hospitality (CERHOS). For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 \$380,150.99 (GST inclusive) was paid for the following Ministers:

- Prime Minister Julia Gillard;
- Senator the Hon Jan McLucas;
- Senator the Hon Kate Lundy.

Details are provided at [Attachment B](#).

Entertainment provided at official functions hosted by the Prime Minister is also provided through funding appropriated for CERHOS. For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, \$15,845.00 (GST inclusive) was paid through the State Occasions and Official Visits function for entertainment provided at the Prime Minister's official functions. Details are provided at [Attachment B](#).