Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1.3 Support Services for Government Operations

Topic: Media Monitoring

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

- 1. What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for this financial year to date?
 - a. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
 - b. What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?
 - c. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?
- 2. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for this financial year to date?
 - a. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
 - b. What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?
 - c. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?

Answer:

- 1. Media monitoring services are provided to the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) under a 'single site contract', with the Department.
 - a. Media Monitors Pty Ltd.
 - b. The estimated budget for these services for the Department and PMO in 2012-13 is \$127,000.00.

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- c. The total financial year to date costs for the Department and PMO is \$49,096.65.
- 2. See answer to question 1.
 - a. See answer to question 1a
 - b. See answer to question 1b
 - c. See answer to question 1c.