

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### (AE12/0140) Program: Internal Product

Senator Humphries asked:

Provision of Equipment. What equipment is provided to department / agency staff? Please list what the equipment is, the cost, the classification of the staff receiving the equipment and the reason why.

*Answer*

Electronic equipment is provided by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship ('Department') to its staff, for the purpose of enabling them to perform their day to day tasks in the course of discharging the Department's portfolio responsibilities.

#### General equipment (provided to all staff)

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Cost per unit (one off payment)</b>	<b>Classification of staff receiving equipment</b>	<b>Reason why</b>
Dell Desktop PC	\$910	All Department staff	Standard PC issued to all staff
Telephone Handset	\$120	All Department staff who are not provided with an Executive Telephone Handset	Standard handset issued to all non-executive staff
Executive Telephone Handset	\$400.08	Executive Departmental staff (Secretary, SES and Executive Level 2)	Standard handset issued to executive level staff

Shared use equipment is also provided to staff, and is positioned in common working areas where the equipment can be accessed by many personnel. This equipment includes black and white and colour printers / Multi Functional Devices (MFDs), fax machines, video conferencing units, and other similar equipment.

#### Other equipment provided on 'as required' basis to executive staff

A range of additional equipment is available to executive staff (Secretary, SES and Executive Level 2), on an 'as required' basis. All such requests for additional

equipment are required to be accompanied by an appropriate business case and be assessed as representing value for money to the Department.

A representative sample of such equipment is set out below.

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Cost per unit (one off payment except where otherwise noted)</b>	<b>Classification of staff receiving equipment</b>	<b>Reason why</b>
Dell Laptop	\$1316 - \$1392 (depending on model, and excluding support charges)	As requested by nominated Departmental staff (generally Executive Level 1 or higher)	For staff travelling and requiring access from remote sites, and also for staff who work offsite (eg from home) Departmental policy permits allocation of <u>either</u> a PC or a laptop, not both
Blackberry Handset	\$88 a month (\$2112.00 total over 24 months)	Executive Level 2 or higher	To allow staff to be contactable 24x7
iPad	\$633.78 (optional wireless keyboard is an additional \$68.94)	Limited number currently allocated to Ministerial, executive and system support staff (see comments under next column)	Mobile communication / IT technologies are currently being trialled within the Department to assess applicability of new technologies to the Department's operations