

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 120

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 18 November 2013:

1. What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office from 7 September 2013 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 from 7 September 2013 to date?
2. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the agency from 7 September 2013 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 from 7 September 2013 to date?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

1. Media monitoring items are provided to the Minister's office as part of the AFP's media monitoring service. No additional costs are incurred to provide this arrangement. As such please see response for Question 2 for expenditure information.
 - a) iSentia (Media Monitors).
 - b) See response for Question 2.
 - c) See response for Question 2.
2. \$20,000.
 - a) iSentia (Media Monitors).
 - b) \$120,000.
 - c) \$20,000.