

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, LEGAL ADVICE, EXPENDITURE

271. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Justice; Small Business

Will the Minister provide the following for each Department and Agency under the Minister's control, including the Ministerial office -

- (a) the total amount spent on legal advice since 1 July 2003;
- (b) the name of each provider of legal advice;
- (c) the amount paid to each provider of legal advice; and
- (d) the service for which the payments were made?

Mr J.B. D'ORAZIO replied:

Provision of this information would require considerable research which would divert staff away from their normal duties and I am not prepared to allocate the State's resources to provide a response. If the Member has a specific inquiry I will endeavour to provide a reply.