

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, OUTSIDE SCOPE OF WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT COMMON USE
CONTRACTS

136. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister representing the Minister for Education and Training

Will the Minister provide details of all contracts undertaken by the Minister's office since 1 January 2004 that were outside the scope of the whole of Government common use contracts, including but not limited to -

- (a) the purpose of the contract; and
- (b) the cost of the contract?

Mr A.J. CARPENTER replied:

The State Supply Commission's draft 'Procurement Users Guide' states:

"For many purchases the price for the goods or services is at a standard rate, eg taxi fares, publications. Payment for these simple purchases constitutes a contract. In other circumstances a letter, email, facsimile, purchase order, or use of a purchasing card will form a contract."

Given this interpretation of contracts, the staff resources necessary to collect this information cannot be currently justified. However, if the Member has a specific query I will endeavour to provide a response.