

Question No : 324

Question : Whitegoods - New Parliament House

Question Date : 23/11/93

Member : Mr STIRLING

To : MINISTER for TRANSPORT and WORKS

1. Were Liebherr refrigerators selected for use in the new Parliament House in preference to Australian-made products; if so, who made this decision.
2. Has a decision been made that refrigerators in the Chamber lobbies had to be fully concealed; if so, who made this decision.
3. Has a decision been made that refrigerators in the Speaker's office had to be fully concealed; if so, who made this decision.
4. Has a decision been made that refrigerators in the Cabinet Room had to be fully concealed; if so, who made this decision.
5. Is it anticipated that an extra cost would be incurred in specifying German-made refrigerators for these locations; if so, has an estimate of the cost been made.
6. Have Samsung refrigerators been selected for the new Parliament House in preference to Australian-made products; if so, who made this decision.
7. Will bar refrigerators be fully concealed; if so, who made this decision.
8. Will extra costs be incurred in specifying Korean- made refrigerators for the various specified locations; if so, has any estimate been made.
9. Has an assessment been made that Miele dishwashers are superior to Australian brands in regard to overflow protection; if so, who made that assessment.
10. If the answer to question 9 is yes, what was the basis for the assessment.
11. Has an assessment been made that Miele dishwashers are superior to Australian brands in regard to noise; if so, who made this assessment.
12. If the answer to question 11 is yes, what was the basis for the assessment.
13. Has an assessment been made that Miele dishwashers are superior to Australian brands in regard to cycle times; if so, who made this assessment.
14. If the answer to question 13 is yes, what was the basis for the assessment.
15. Has an assessment been made that Miele dishwashers are superior to Australian brands in regard to reputation

for reliability and performance.

16. If the answer to question 15 is yes, what was the basis for the assessment.

17. Has an assessment been made that Miele dishwashers are superior to Australian brands in regard to access to filters, etc by lay persons; if so, who made this assessment.

18. If the answer to question 17 is yes, what was the basis for the assessment.