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Mr Ken Vowles MLA Member for Johnston Parliament House DARWIN NT 0800

Dear Mr Vowles

Please find attached answers to Written Question 128 received for Estimates 2014.

Yours sincerely

Hon Kezia Purick MLA

Speaker

June 2014

Answers to Written Question 128

1. How much has the Speaker's Office spent on alcohol in the past 12 months?

A total of \$3450 was spent on beverages including non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages for hospitality provided by the Speaker. This figure does not include beverages supplied at functions.

2. What is the wine label that the Speaker's Office purchases?

A variety of beverages, best price at time of purchase

3. Is this for official functions or personal use?

All beverages purchased are for official functions.

4. How many official functions has the Speaker hosted?

The Speaker has hosted 45 official functions and provided hospitality on behalf of the Assembly to local, interstate and international visitors in the context of parliamentary sittings (committee meetings and briefings), diplomatic visits, courtesy calls from industry groups, school groups, teacher representation, community groups, other professional groups, information sessions, guided tours and other occasions.

5. Have you used the Speaker's office suite for any fundraising activities?

The Speaker's suite has never been used for fundraising activities.

6. If so, how many times have you used the Speaker's suite for fundraising activities?

Not applicable. See response to question 5.

7. Did you pay the Parliament for the use of the suite in this way?

Not applicable. See response to question 5.

8. Did the Country Liberal Party pay for the alcohol or did the taxpayer?

Not applicable. See response to question 5.