

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY RECEIVED AND MEETINGS WITH NEWSPAPER AND OTHER MEDIA PROPRIETORS, EDITORS AND SENIOR EXECUTIVES SPECIAL ADVISERS

1 October – 31th December 2013

GIFTS RECEIVED¹

Christina Robinson – Nil return
Edward Jones – Nil return

HOSPITALITY²

Name of Special Adviser – Christina Robinson		
Date of hospitality	Name of organisation	Type of hospitality
6 December 2013	MHP	Breakfast
Name of Special Adviser – Edward Jones		
Date of hospitality	Name of organisation	Type of hospitality received
1 October 2013	Hanover Communications	Dinner
15 October 2013	Team Sky	Breakfast Roundtable
5 November 2013	ATP Tennis	Match tickets
26 November 2013	Political Studies Association	Dinner

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¹ Gifts should, in general, be refused, but gifts and benefits of a trivial or inexpensive nature (such as calendars and other gifts of a small monetary value) can be distinguished from more expensive and substantial offers. Staff must report offers of gifts, hospitality, awards, decorations and other benefits, through line managers, to their personnel sections who will advise on acceptance. A Declaration of Interest Form should be completed.

² There are no set minimum or maximum levels for *accepting* hospitality from external stakeholders. Guidelines state that staff : ...should accept hospitality only when this can be defended as being in the interests of the Department's business – for example, because significant relationship-building is a business aim. Does not normally include attendance at functions hosted by HM Government; 'diplomatic' functions in the UK or abroad, hosted by overseas governments; minor refreshments at meetings, receptions, conferences, and seminars; and offers of hospitality which were declined. * indicates if accompanied by spouse, partner, or other family member or friend.

³ Does not include details of official meetings where special advisers attended alongside their Ministers.

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Date of Meeting	Name of Organisation	Purpose of Meeting

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