

**Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**3. Departmental Financial Position**

**3.1 Financial Assets**

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
<b>Note 3.1A: Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>		
Cash on hand or on deposit	75,198	55,267
Overseas property special account cash held by the entity	976	2,028
Overseas property special account cash held in the OPA	102,229	103,889
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>178,403</b>	<b>161,184</b>

**Accounting policy**

Cash is recognised at its nominal amount.

**Note 3.1B: Trade and Other Receivables**

**Goods and services receivables**

Goods and services	40,543	86,436
<b>Total goods and services receivables</b>	<b>40,543</b>	<b>86,436</b>

**Appropriations receivables**

Departmental - operating	403,479	398,152
Departmental - capital	107,793	190,305
<b>Total appropriations receivable</b>	<b>511,272</b>	<b>588,457</b>

**Other receivables**

Advances	14,026	14,625
Statutory receivables	5,384	5,400
Cash held by outsiders	203	647
Other	1,594	1,668
<b>Total other receivables</b>	<b>21,207</b>	<b>22,340</b>
<b>Total trade and other receivables (gross)</b>	<b>573,022</b>	<b>697,233</b>

**Less impairment allowance**

Other receivables	-	(33)
<b>Total impairment allowance</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(33)</b>
<b>Total trade and other receivables (net)</b>	<b>573,022</b>	<b>697,200</b>

**Trade and other receivables (net) expected to be recovered**

No more than 12 months	559,413	678,493
More than 12 months	13,609	18,707
<b>Total trade and other receivables (net)</b>	<b>573,022</b>	<b>697,200</b>

**Trade and other receivables (gross) aged as follows**

Not overdue	571,131	693,595
Overdue by:		
0 to 30 days	774	362
31 to 60 days	105	179
61 to 90 days	68	918
More than 90 days	944	2,179
<b>Total trade and other receivables (gross)</b>	<b>573,022</b>	<b>697,233</b>

The impairment allowance account is all aged more than 90 days.

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**Note 3.1B: Trade and Other Receivables (continued)**

**Reconciliation of the Impairment Allowance Account:**

**Movements in relation to 2017**

	<b>Goods and services \$'000</b>	<b>Other receivables \$'000</b>	<b>Total \$'000</b>
<b>Opening balance</b>	-	33	33
Amounts written off	-	(33)	(33)
<b>Closing balance</b>	-	-	-

**Movements in relation to 2016**

	<b>Goods and services \$'000</b>	<b>Other receivables \$'000</b>	<b>Total \$'000</b>
<b>Opening balance</b>	-	43	43
Amounts written off	-	(64)	(64)
Increase recognised in net cost of services	-	54	54
<b>Closing balance</b>	-	33	33

**Accounting policy**

Aside from cash, financial assets are all classified as loans and receivables. Terms for receivables for goods and services are 30 days (2016: 30 days).

*Loans and Receivables*

Loans and receivables have fixed or determinable payments and are not quoted in an active market. Loans and receivables are initially measured at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment.

*Appropriations*

Amounts appropriated for departmental appropriations for the year (adjusted for any formal additions and reductions) are recognised as Revenue from Government when the entity gains control of the appropriation, except for certain amounts that relate to activities that are reciprocal in nature, in which case revenue is recognised only when it has been earned. Appropriations receivable are recognised at their nominal amounts.

*Impairment*

Financial assets are assessed for impairment at the end of each reporting period. Allowances are made when collectability of the debt is no longer probable. The loss is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.