

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

TOPIC: Travel Costs – Ministerial

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Ludwig

QUESTION No.: AI-47

1. From 7 September 2013, detail all travel conducted by the Minister/parliamentary secretary
 - a. List each location, method of travel, itinerary and purpose of trip;
 - b. List the total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals), and;
 - c. List the number of staff that accompanied the Minister/parliamentary secretary, listing the total costs per staff member, the class of airplane travelled, the classification of staff accompanying the Minister/parliamentary secretary.
2. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

ANSWER

1.
 - a. The Special Minister of State will answer on behalf of all agencies.
 - b. The Special Minister of State will answer on behalf of all agencies.
 - c. Please refer to SI-168 for details on staff who travelled with the Minister on international trips for the period 7 September 2013 to 30 November 2013. No departmental staff accompanied the Minister on international trips for the period 1 December 2013 to 28 February 2014.
2. Future travel is dependent on business requirements and business operating budgets. Travel is undertaken to meet business requirements while ensuring the efficient, effective, ethical and economical use of resources.