Tourism Australia – Hearing date: 25 October 2018; Due date for answers: 7 December 2018

Portfolio QNo	Senator	BroadTopic	QuestionText	Written Hansard	Proof Hansard Page
			a) How many bids have been assisted through the Bid Fund to date? Please provide		_
			a list detailing bid name, amount of funding received from the bid fund and when		
			this funding was allocated.		
1	Carol Brown	Bid Fund	b) How will funding from the Bid Fund be allocated over the forwards?	Written	
			Are there any updated statistics on the ROI for the Crocodile Dundee		
_		Crocodile Dundee	advertisement since the February Estimates? How has this impacted visitor		
2	Carol Brown	Advertisement	numbers from the USA?	Written	
			a) Is the current China Strategy working successfully? What are the set targets that		
			determine this success and are these being met?		
			b) What is the cost per visitor to attract new visitors from China and how does this		
			compare to other markets TA is advertising to in order to attract visitors to Australia?		
			c) Are there any new trends you have observed in regard to the Chinese visitor market?		
			d) How have TA advertising campaigns influenced their length of visit, expenditure and dispersal?		
3	Carol Brown	China Strategy	e) What future opportunities exist for growing this visitor market?	Written	
			a) Have there been any changes to the expected publication schedules since last		
			estimates?		
			b) If yes, please detail with original expected publication date and actual		
			publication date.		
			c) Does Austrade or Tourism Australia anticipate any additional delays to		
			publications over the next year aside from those detailed in last estimates		
4	Carol Brown	Research	answers? If so, please detail publication, reason, and expected length of delay.	Written	
			Has Minister Birmingham visited the offices of Austrade, Tourism Australia or		
			Tourism Research Australia since his appointment? If yes, what dates and what		
5	Carol Brown	Minister	was the nature of the visits?	Written	
6	Carol Brown	Working Holiday	a) What is the value of backpackers to the visitor economy?	Written	

		Makers	b) Please outline the current advertising campaign Tourism Australia running to		
			attract backpackers to Australia? What are the target markets for this? How much		
			has been spent on this campaign?		
			c) How will the success of this/these campaigns be measured? What targets have		
			been set?		
			a) What needs to be done in order to grow regional dispersal? What are the		
			impediments?		
			b) How much of TA's funding is directly attributed to encouraging regional		
			dispersal? Meaning - once the visitor has been snagged, what investment from the		
			budget is directly attributed to this?		
			c) Given regional dispersal is a key part of the government's strategy, how is		
7	Carol Brown	Regional Dispersal	Tourism Australia executing this?	Written	
			Ms Halbert: It's very similar to what it was for phase 1, although we're no longer		
			exclusively going with one airline; we're working with all of the different airlines		
			that fly from the US to Australia.		
			Senator MOORE: How many are there? Take that on notice.		
			Ms Halbert: We will. I mean, you've got Qantas, Virgin—		
			Senator MOORE: It will be built into the plan—and American Airlines—		
			Ms Halbert: And Delta, and Air New Zealand is a very good partner on that route.		
			So, I'm going to say six, maybe seven.		
			Senator MOORE: And this is from any America-Australia route. And that would be		
		Airlines that fly from	significant numbers. Just on notice, can we get that? That would be useful.		
8	Claire Moore	America to Australia	Ms Halbert: Absolutely	Hansard	129
			Senator MOORE: And that's where you get the indication that Chinese tourists are		
			spending more than other tourists at this moment. What is the cost per visitor to		
			attract new visitors from China, and how does this compare to other markets		
			advertising in order to attract visitors to Australia?		
			CHAIR: Are you able to do that?		
			Ms Halbert: No.		
			CHAIR: One assumes that various states and other bodies are also engaged in		
			seeking to attract tourists.		
			Ms Halbert: Yes.		
9	Claire Moore	Chinese tourists	Senator MOORE: Is that the type of data you keep—the cost to attract?	Hansard	130

			Ms Halbert: It isn't. We can certainly take it on notice and see what we might have.		
1			Senator MOORE: That would be useful.		
			Ms Halbert: As a general rule, we will spend a certain amount in a market, but, as		
			the senator rightly pointed out, other states and territories also operate in that		
			market, which tends to confuse things a little bit. But I'm very happy to take it on		
			notice and see what we can provide for you.		
			Senator MOORE: Yes, I'm just perusing—and questions to Tourism Australia. In		
			your view, what needs to be done in order to grow regional dispersal and what are		
			the impediments? I know!		
			Ms Halbert: It's a very big question. I think part of—		
			Senator MOORE: Is this a question that would be better on notice for you? If it's		
			valuable and there's stuff we can share now we have the time, but I'm wondering		
			whether a question as wide as that is something that would be better for you on		
			notice.		
			Ms Halbert: Probably, yes. A lot of work is being done to try and introduce a new		
			product.		
			Senator MOORE: That's a general question. It comes out of the \$45 million that		
			was set aside.		
			Ms Halbert: I'm very happy to respond on notice to that—		
			Senator MOORE: Analysis type question.		
10	Claire Moore	Regional Dispersal	Ms Halbert: and we can get into a bit more detail for you.	Hansard	133
			Senator MOORE: We'll put that on notice. How much of Tourism Australia's		
			funding is directly attributed to encouraging regional dispersal? Meaning, and this		
			is the jargon, once the visitor has been 'snagged'—is that a technical term, 'once		
			the visitor's been snagged'?		
			Ms Halbert: Not one we use often, but maybe.		
			Senator MOORE: What investment from the budget is directly attributed to this?		
			Ms Halbert: Again, we'd have to take that on notice.		
11	Claire Moore	Regional Dispersal	Senator MOORE: Absolutely—that's fine	Hansard	133
			Senator MOORE: My last question is about how Tourism Australia is executing the		
			regional dispersal program. We will put those on notice and give you a chance to		
			sell the process.		
12	Claire Moore	Regional Dispersal	Ms Halbert: Great.	Hansard	133