

## SENATE

### Senator Jordon Steele-John - details of Commonwealth properties currently owned or leased in Myanmar

(Question No. 135)

**Jordon Steele-John** : asked the Minister for Foreign Affairs on **09 August 2022** :

1. What are the details of Commonwealth properties currently owned or leased in Myanmar, including costs and payments, since 1 February 2021.
2. Is any Commonwealth property in Myanmar leased from the state, or privately from members of the military, retired military officials, their family members or crony companies.

**Minister Wong - the answer to the honourable Senator's question is as follows:**

1. The Commonwealth owns one property in Yangon, the Head of Mission's compound, owned since 1956.

The details of properties leased by the Commonwealth in Myanmar, and the associated rental costs since 1 February 2021 are set out in the table below:

<b>Property Provider</b>	<b>Type of Property</b>	<b>Rent 1 Feb 21- 31 Jul 22 (AUD)</b>
Lotte Hotel & Apartments	Staff Accommodation	\$862,203
MGallery Nay Pyi Taw by Sofitel	Short-term Accommodation	\$162,000
Myint & Associates Construction	Chancery	\$5,346,699
Parkroyal Nay Pyi Taw	Short-term Accommodation	\$146,171
Sakura	Staff Accommodation	\$130,417
Shangri-La Residences Yangon	Staff Accommodation	\$1,529,946
Mr Aye Tun	Staff Accommodation	\$96,605

2. The Australian Government's operations in Myanmar do not directly fund the Myanmar military. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) has confirmed that the property providers listed above do not appear on the DFAT Consolidated List\*.

\*The DFAT Consolidated List provides a list of persons and entities who are subject to targeted financial sanctions under Australian sanctions laws. The list is maintained by DFAT and available to the public at: <https://dfat.gov.au/internationalrelations/security/sanctions/Pages/consolidated-list.asp>