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Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice
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Communications Portfolio
Department of Communications

Question No: 337

Program No. Corporate

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Travel costs – Ministerial

Senator Ludwig asked:

From 7 September 2013, detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).

Answer:

No Department officers have accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on any overseas travel for the period 1 November 2013 to 31 January 2014. Department officers travel domestically for a variety of reasons. The travel records do not allow the Department to determine with accuracy which travel was to accompany the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary when travelling.