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Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio

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Senator Singh asked:

Senator SINGH: Senator Waters, can I just check something? With that answer about the costings of the delegations, did you, Dr Dripps, say that you would provide that on notice?

Dr Dripps: I have just run through it, so it will be in the Hansard now. I can also provide the cost for those trips as an answer to a question on notice.

Senator SINGH: Yes, could you please provide the cost of those trips as a question on notice? **Dr Dripps:** So the trips with the minister to the World Heritage Committee member countries? **Senator SINGH:** The entire delegation, so yours included—so the 19 representations. **Dr Dripps:** Yes; that is clear.

Answer:

Ministerial travel expenses are managed by the Department of Finance. Departmental costs for representational travel are as follows. Please note that a number of countries were visited in each trip, and the amount identified in column two relates to the entirety of each trip.

Destination (s)	Departmental costs
Lebanon Turkey Qatar	~\$16,000 (Estimate only – not yet acquitted)
Japan Republic of Korea India	\$12,307.97
Jamaica Colombia Peru	\$25,387.97
Portugal Germany Finland Poland	\$13,904.91

Philippines Malaysia Vietnam	\$12,063.14
Japan Republic of Korea	\$8,397.73
Croatia Serbia Germany	\$17,088.61