

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice
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Communications Portfolio
Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Question No: 84

Program No. Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Travel Costs - Department

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. Since 25 February 2014, 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).
2. Since 25 February 2014, detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.
3. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

Answer:

1. Not Applicable.
2. The table on page two outlines the total cost for airfares, accommodation and other allowances since 25 February 2014. The purpose of the travel is to meet the ongoing needs of the ABC as a national broadcaster such as content production, operational requirements and administration.
3. Not Applicable. The ABC does not keep a register of its future travel requirements.

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Description	March - May Actual 13/14
Airfares - Domestic	1,523,856
Allowances - Domestic	927,581
Accommodation - Domestic	1,144,712
Domestic taxis and pva	933,928
Travel Entitlements (9/B/4) under the Enterprise Agreement	32,340
Domestic Other (eg train fares and car Hire)	317,322
Total Domestic Travel Expenditure	4,879,739
Airfares - International	1,077,406
Allowances - International	1,009,353
International Other (eg train fares and car Hire)	318,158
Total International Travel Expenditure	2,404,917
Excess Baggage	55,573
Total Other	55,573
Total ABC Travel Expenditure	7,340,229