Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

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Department/Agency: Treasury Question: SBT 108-114 Topic: G20 Brisbane Reference: Written - 30 October 2014 Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

- 108. Which ministers from the portfolio attended the G20 conference in Brisbane? For each attending minister, please answer the following:
 - a) How long will the minister be in Brisbane for?
 - b) Please provide a copy of the minister's program and a list of any meetings that are scheduled.
 - c) Did the minister request any briefing material from the department in relation to the G20? Please provide a list of the briefing titles.
 - d) How many ministerial staff will attend with the minister?
- 109. How many departmental staff attended the G20?
- 110. For each minister and staff member attending, how much was spent on airfares to and from Brisbane?
- 111. For each minister and staff member attending, how much was spent on accommodation in Brisbane?
- 112. For each minister and staff member attending, how much was spent on other associated expenses? Please detail.
- 113. Has the department purchased any merchandise or promotional material for the G20? Please detail.
- 114. Will the department be preparing a report following the G20? If yes:
 - a) What will be the scope of the report?
 - b) When will it be complete?
 - c) Will it be available to the public?

Answer:

108. Treasurer Hockey, Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer Ciobo and Finance Minister and Assistant Treasurer Cormann attended the G20 in Brisbane

a) The Department of Treasury is not responsible for travel undertaken by Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries or any accompanying staff employed under the Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984 (MOP(S) Act.). The costs of official travel by Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries and accompanying staff employed under the MOP(S) Act are met by the Department of Finance (Finance). Detailed information regarding parliamentary entitlements expenditure, including Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries' domestic travel entitlements is available on the Finance website at

http:www.finance.gov.au/publications/parliamentarians-reporting/.

- b) see a) above
- c) Treasury provided a number of briefs to the Treasurer.

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d) see a) above

109. A total of 53 Treasury Departmental staff attended the G20 in Brisbane. This was a mix of logistic and policy staff.

110. see a) above

111. see a) above

112 see a) above

113. See QON SQ14-000070

114. No