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Department/Agency: ABS

Question: 1049-1057

Topic: Hospitality

Reference: written - 30 October 2015

Senator: Wong, Penny

Question:

Since 1 January 2015:

1049. What has been the Department/Agency's hospitality spend including any catering and drinks costs.
1050. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1051. What has been the Department/Agency's entertainment spend? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1052. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1053. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1054. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1055. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1056. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1057. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

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Answer:

1049 -1052 The Australian Bureau of Statistics has spent \$13,838.98 (exclusive of GST) from 1 January 2015 to 30 October 2015 on Hospitality/Entertainment including catering and drinks costs. There have been no instances of spending on hospitality/entertainment for a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary.

These amounts relate to expenditure used to facilitate the conduct of public business within and between Commonwealth agencies; or with external organisations and agencies; or with external organisations or individuals with related vocational, technical or business interests. The date, location, purpose and cost of all events are listed in the table below.

Hospitality expenditure for the period January 2015 – October 2015:

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Date	State	City	Purpose	Amount(Excl GST)\$
01/01/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - lunch with Chris Buxton CTO Statistics NZ	\$ 37.73
01/01/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Dinner in Sydney with Uni of Michigan visitors	\$ 753.87
01/01/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Lunch for International collaborators-Stats NZ	\$ 239.00
01/02/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Official Dinner - Timor-Leste Delegation	\$ 1,062.73
01/03/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - TL Darwin for Timor-Leste Delegation	\$ 90.91
01/03/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - TL Darwin for Timor-Leste Delegation	\$ 244.55
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Dinner Hosting Stats New Zealand delegation	\$ 196.36
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Official Lunch for Indonesian delegation	\$ 240.00
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Welcome dinner for Indonesian delegation	\$ 260.91
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Business Lunch with PNG NSO Delegation	\$ 324.09
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Catering for Timorese delegation	\$ 45.95
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Catering for Timorese delegation	\$ 484.70
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Official Lunch - Indonesian Delegation	\$ 211.00
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Catering for visiting international delegatoin	\$ 194.55
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Catering for international delegation	\$ 480.00
01/04/2015	SA	Adelaide	Official Visit - Catering for international delegation	\$ 1,089.65
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Catering for international delegation	\$ 120.68
01/04/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Catering for international delegation	\$ 253.18
01/05/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Refreshments for visiting Bangladesh delegation	\$ 160.91
01/05/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Dinner - SNZ Labour Branch Visit 23-APR-15	\$ 268.91
01/05/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Indonesian delegation to Brisbane	\$ 143.55
01/05/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Indonesian delegation to Brisbane	\$ 148.55
01/05/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Indonesian delegation to Brisbane	\$ 175.55
01/06/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Refreshments for visiting for Indonesian Delegation	\$ 325.27
01/06/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Hosting International Census Visitors from Myanmar	\$ 50.27
01/06/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Visiting Delegation from Timor Leste, Official Dinner	\$ 211.91
01/06/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Networking dinner with International delegation	\$ 374.09
01/06/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Hosting international visitors	\$ 1,437.73
01/07/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Dinner with Bank Indonesian Big Data Delegation	\$ 659.09
01/07/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - StatsNZ delegation	\$ 88.27
01/07/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Lunch with visiting staff member form SPC	\$ 105.45
01/08/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Official dinner with Fiji Statistician hosted by OOTSEE Branch	\$ 55.45
01/08/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Official Dinner for Fiji Govt officials	\$ 648.18
01/08/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - International visitors & extern client Bayesian workshop	\$ 971.04
01/09/2015	VIC	Melbourne	Official Visit - Timor Leste Delegation Dinner	\$ 541.36
01/09/2015	VIC	Melbourne	Official Visit - Official Lunch with BPS Indonesia Delegation	\$ 488.18
01/09/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Dinner with Indonesia delegation	\$ 595.00
01/09/2015	ACT	Canberra	Official Visit - Catering for visiting Fiji Delegation	\$ 60.36
			Total Hospitality Expenditure January to October 2015	\$ 13,838.98

1053 - 1057. Spending proposals are decided on a case by case basis with consideration of the purpose for hospitality/entertainment, which is to facilitate the conduct of public business within and between Commonwealth agencies; or with external organisations and agencies; or with external organisations or individuals with related vocational, technical or business interests.