

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Department/Agency: ATO**

**Question: SBT 1790-1792**

**Topic: G20 expenses**

**Reference: written - 30 October 2015**

**Senator: Wong, Penny**

**Question:**

1790. Please provide an itemised table of all expenses incurred by the department since September 7, 2013 associated with official G20 and related working group, taskforce, roundtable, Sherpa meetings, workshop and study groups) events, including but not limited to hospitality, accommodation, transport, recreation, merchandise, meals/drinks, catering, security.
1791. For each item, please provide:
- a) The name of the event/meeting that the expense related to.
  - b) The location of the event.
  - c) The date of the event.
  - d) The name and ABN of the service provider.
  - e) Advise whether the contract was awarded through an open tender process.
  - f) The total value of the contract/invoice.
  - g) The date the contract was executed by the Department.
  - h) The number of attendees at the event, if applicable.
  - i) Advise whether an Australian Government Minister was in attendance. Please detail.
  - j) Advise whether foreign delegates were in attendance. Please detail.
  - k) Advise whether the contract/expense was approved by the Prime Minister's Office, and if so the date that approval was sought and granted.
1792. How many Treasury officials (by classification, including Departmental Liaison Officers) attended each overseas G20 event?

**Answer:**

1790. The ATO seconded staff to Department of Finance and the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet to assist in the administration of the G20 Summit in Brisbane (15–16 November 2014). The cost to the ATO was \$1.9 million for 330 ATO staff members. This cost includes staff salary, overtime and associated allowances for the volunteers. Due to the nature of the Summit no ATO delegates were in attendance.

In addition to the G20 Summit in Brisbane there were four other G20 events to be as outlined below.

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<b>a) Event</b>	<b>b) Location</b>	<b>c) Date</b>	<b>Travel expenses (\$) (GST inclusive)</b>
G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors meeting	Cairns, QLD	19-21 Sep 2014	6,929
G20 Development Working Group	Perth, WA	3-5 Sep 2014	3,398
G20 Tax Symposium	Tokyo, Japan	9-10 May 2014	15,929
G20 Development Working Group	Hobart, TAS	8-9 May 2014	1,871

1791. a) – c) Refer to 1790.

d) – k) Costs incurred by the ATO were those associated with staff assisting at the event as outlined in response 1790. Other costs associated were incurred by the organising agency.

1792. Not applicable