

## **Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

### **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015**

#### **Agency - Fair Work Building and Construction**

**Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ15-000006**

**Senator Cameron asked on 26 February 2015 on proof Hansard page 103**

Relates to previous Department of Employment Question No EM1517\_15, EM1529\_15

#### **Question**

##### **FWBC - Attendance at conferences and small boardroom meetings**

Senator CAMERON: I will come back to this. Mr Hadgkiss, how do you say that your answer to supplementary budget estimates question on notice EM1529 in relation to your attendance at conferences, and particularly small boardroom meetings, which are referred to in the 2013-14 annual report, is consistent with your accountability to the parliament for the expenditure of public money? I draw your attention to the fact that you spent \$782,440 on travel—not you personally but your organisation—and \$146,820 on public affairs and media.

CHAIR: Senator Cameron, can I just have those two QON numbers again so the secretary can get them for other members of the committee?

Senator CAMERON: EM1529. They were both EM1529.

CHAIR: Thank you.

Mr Hadgkiss: I will take those figures on notice.

#### **Answer**

FWBC does not collect the level of data requested in EM1529\_15. To attempt to provide this level of detail would be an unreasonable diversion of agency resources.

In the 2013–14 financial year FWBC spent \$782,440 on travel and \$146,820 on public affairs and media.