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Senator Chris Back
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The Senate
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Back

I am writing to you to provide an amended response to Question on Notice 121, taken from the 10 February 2016 Additional Estimates hearing (tabled on 22 April 2016). This question relates to the Department of Defence's travel expenditure.

The question requested information on travel costs relating to training and relocations. This data was not provided in the original response provided to the committee, and has now been included in the amended response (attached).

It would be appreciated if you can please place the amended response (attached) in your records.

I have also provided a copy of this letter and the amended response to the Committee Secretariat.

Yours sincerely

MARISE PAYNE

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Revised response to Question Reference 121 part (g)

As reflected in Defence's financial management systems, the travel expenditure for Defence officers for the period 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016 is outlined in the table below. The figures do not represent charter aircraft used for deployments and exercises.

The table below is presented on a cash spent basis.

Expenditure category	14 Sept 2015 to 31 Jan 2016 \$m
Business Travel - Domestic	45.2
Business Travel - Overseas	21.4
Total business travel	66.6
Exercise Travel	11.7
ADF Conditions of Service Travel	21.6
ADF Training Related Travel	31.9
APS Training Related Travel	3.3
Removals Related Travel	22.1
Total Travel	157.2

To provide the travel details requested, including the travel that is planned for the rest of this calendar year, would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.