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Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

Senator WONG: Ms Kelly, you did not actually provide the cost of each visit as part of the answers to question numbers 50 and [197]; all you did was provide a list of AusTender contracts. So we added it up ourselves—which we are always happy to do—but, given that you have offered to now add it up, because you have not done so before, perhaps you could add up the total costs of the visit that we have referred to.

Senator Cormann: We will take that on notice.

Answer:

2014

Date	Visit	Total Cost (GST Exclusive)
7-10 July	His Excellency Mr Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan	\$270,622.66
15 – 18 July	His Excellency Ambassador Roberto Azevêdo, Director-General, World Trade Organization	\$21,200.53
16 – 19 July	General Fan Changlong, Vice Chairman, Central Military Commission of the People’s Republic of China	\$35,509.18
10 – 13 August	Australia-United States Ministerial Consultations	\$82,522.00
6 – 7 November	His Excellency Mr Mark Rutte, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of the Netherlands	\$33,959.00
13 – 14 November	The Right Honourable David Cameron MP, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom (G20 GoG visit)	\$133,720.65
16 – 17 November	Dr Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany (G20 GoG visit)	\$85,950.30
16 – 18 November	Mr Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of the Republic of India (G20 GoG visit)	\$382,123.73

Date	Visit	Total Cost (GST Exclusive)
16 – 19 November	His Excellency Mr Xi Jinping, President of the People’s Republic of China (G20 GoG visit)	\$378,344.45
18 – 19 November	Mr François Hollande, President of the French Republic (G20 GoG visit)	\$199,396.75
10 – 12 December	His Excellency Mr Petro Poroshenko, President of Ukraine	\$101,603.00

2015

Date	Visit	Total Cost (GST Exclusive)
31 January – 2 February	Australia-United Kingdom Ministerial Consultations	\$39,613.47
17 February*	His Highness Sheikh Abdulla bin Zayad Al-Nahyan, Minister for Foreign Affairs, United Arab Emirates	\$4,653.27

* His Highness was in Australia from 15 until 21 February 2015, but only one day part of a Guest of Government Programme