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Question:

In respect of the visit to Australia by Crown Prince Frederick and Crown Princess Mary of Denmark in November 2011:

1. How many delegates travelled with/and ahead of the Prince and Princess?
2. What was the cost to the Australian Government for each delegate's?
 - a. International, domestic and VIP airfares, including the class of travel for each delegate;
 - b. Meals;
 - c. Layovers in other countries;
 - d. Hospitality;
 - e. Internal transport;
 - f. Ceremonies;
 - g. Accommodation per night;
 - h. Travel allowances;
 - i. Gifts;
 - j. Functions;
 - k. Travel insurance; and
 - l. Other expenses.
3. What was the total cost to the Australia Government of the visit broken down for the items listed in part (2)?

Answer:

- (1) Their Royal Highnesses Crown Prince Frederick, Crown Princess Mary, Prince Vincent and Princess Josephine were accompanied to Australia by 15 members of the official party.

- (2) Visit expenses for Their Royal Highnesses Crown Prince Frederick, Crown Princess Mary, Prince Vincent and Princess Josephine are as outlined in Attachment A. To attempt to provide a breakdown of individual costs would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.
- (3) The total cost to the Department was \$305,479 (GST exclusive).

**Visit to Australia by
TRH the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Denmark
Advance Visit 2 to 4 and 8 November 2011
Visit 19 to 27 November 2011
Visit Costs**

Transport (ground, air)	68,070
Domestic travel (meals, accommodation, incidentals)	24,560
Media liaison (including photographic – other costs)	34,369
Hospitality and event – related costs	77,304
Contracted staff*	88,050
Miscellaneous visit costs	13,126
Total	305,479

Note: Figures are GST exclusive

*Contract staff were engaged due to the high level of visits at that time which included a Royal Visit, the CHOGM Guest of Government visits and a visit by the President of the United States.