

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2015-16**

Finance Portfolio  
20 October 2015

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance  
**Outcome/Program:** General  
**Topic:** Visit to Torres Strait

**Senator:** Bilyk

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**Question:**

Did the Minister for Finance, his office or Department participate in the former Prime Minister's trip to the Torres Strait?

If so:

1. What was the duration of the visit to Torres Strait?
2. Which locations did the Minister/his Department travel to?
3. Which communities did the Minister/his Department engage with?
4. What type of activities did they undertake?
5. What were the outcomes of the trip?
6. Was an official report or communique or similar published in relation to the trip?
7. Are you able to please provide an itinerary for the A Minister/his Department's trip?
8. Which hotel or hotels did the Minister/his Department stay in?
9. Could you please provide an itemised cost breakdown in relation to the Minister/his Department's involvement in this trip? This should be broken down into categories such as accommodation, ground transport, meals, incidentals etc.
10. How many members of the Minister's staff participated in the trip?
11. Could you please advise the number of staff, their title and staffing classification under the MOPS Enterprise Agreement?
12. In terms of departmental officials from the Department, could you please advise the names and roles of each departmental official in attendance?
13. Could you also please provide an itemised list of costs for departmental officials in terms of flights, accommodation, ground transport, meals and other incidentals? This should specify the officials which travelled in business class and those that travelled in economy, the hotels they stayed in and which businesses supplied ground transport.

**Answer:**

No.