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Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

Senator WONG: Could you update that with a breakdown of what all of the bits, but primarily the \$2 million, are spent on.

Ms Cross: Yes.

Answer:

A breakdown of the \$2.238 million in costs for the Federation White Paper Taskforce in 2014-15 is:

Employee expenses (salaries, superannuation, etc.)	\$1,910,000
Communications	\$11,000
Sitting fees (Expert Advisory Panel)	\$59,000
Other service fees	\$2,000
Other staff costs	\$86,000
General expenses	\$22,000
Travel	\$150,000
Total	\$2,238,000

Note: discrepancies in total due to rounding to the nearest \$1,000