

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT**

Corporate

Question No. 167

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 24 February 2014:

- 1) From 7 September 2013, detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).

- 2) From 7 September 2013, detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel

- 3) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- 1) The Secretary, Roger Wilkins AO, undertook one (1) official overseas ministerial visit in February 2014. The total cost incurred by the Department in relation to departmental staff accompanying the Secretary on official ministerial travel was approximately \$12,661.

Description	Exclusive of GST & Inclusive of Taxes, if Applicable (\$)
Overseas Accommodation	\$9,104
Overseas Travel Allowance and Accommodation	\$3,557
Total	\$12,661

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