

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/551) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

- a) How many cars are owned by each department/agency?
- b) Where is the car/s located? c) What is the car/s used for?
- d) What is the cost of each car from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- e) How far did each car travel from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- f) How many cars are leased by each department/agency?
- g) Where are the cars located?
- h) What are the cars used for?
- i) What is the cost of each car from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- j) How far did each car travel from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?

Answer:

- a) The portfolio owns 155 cars.
- b) The cars are located in Sydney, Brisbane, Thursday Island, Christmas Island, Amman, Curtin, Dili, Dubai, Islamabad, Jakarta, Manila, Nauru and Papua New Guinea.
- c) The cars are used for surveillance and other operational activities, transporting staff, detainees and transferees, official movement within foreign countries, and, where appropriate, as emergency vehicles.
- d) From 1 February to 31 May 2014 the cost of operational and surveillance vehicles averaged \$1 189. The cost of cars used for the other purposes listed averaged \$2 400.
- e) From 1 February to 31 May 2014 cars used for operational and surveillance purposes averaged 1 460 kilometres. Cars used for the other purposes listed averaged 9 170 kilometres.
- f) The portfolio leases 476 cars.
- g) Leased cars are located in multiple locations across Australia.
- h) Leased cars are used for business surveillance and other operational purposes.
- i) From 1 February to 31 May 2014 the cost of leased cars ranged from \$980 to approximately \$13 000 depending on the vehicle and its use.
- j) This information is not available from the portfolio's systems. Providing this level of detail would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.