Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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TOPIC: Tourism Australia - International Offices

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QUESTION No. AI-42

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Senator STEPHENS asked:—How many international offices are there now?

Mr Buckley—We have 14.

Senator STEPHENS—Is it possible for us to have a breakdown of the operating costs of those offices in terms of admin expenses, recurrent expenses and staffing? If you could take that on notice?

Mr Hopwood—Yes, we have that information so we can supply it to you on notice.

Senator STEPHENS—If you could provide that, that would be great.

ANSWER

Tourism Australia operates offices in Australia, China, Germany, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, United Kingdom and the United States.

Expenses are recorded against regions which may manage the administration of a number of offices in the region, rather than against every office. Expenses are provided below for the 2005/06 financial year.

Region	Administration/Recurrent	Staffing	
Sydney	\$6,984,000	\$15,162,244	
Canberra	\$317,000		
Auckland	\$135,056	\$321,615	
Los Angeles	\$824,895	\$2,206,282	
London	\$258,776	\$4,789,358	
Tokyo	\$801,847	\$2,128,942	
Hong Kong	\$1,975,545	\$5,513,359	
Worker's Compensation Premiums (global)	-	\$41,000	
Total	\$11,315,118	\$30,162,800	