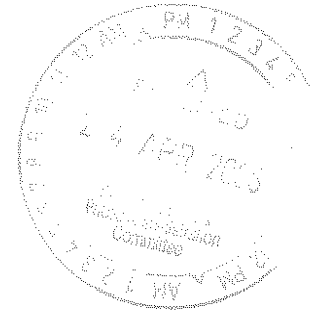


Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio
Department of Finance and Deregulation
Additional Estimates Hearing – February 2008**



Question: F62

Outcome 2, Output 2.3.1

Topic: Official air travel on the Canberra-Sydney route: 25 per cent minimum usage target for smaller airlines.

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Senator Humphries asked:

Will the quarterly [airline travel] reports be tabled on the internet or something like that?

Answer:

A report will be published quarterly on the Department of Finance and Deregulation website on the use of smaller airlines on the Canberra-Sydney route. The first report, for the period 1 April to 30 June 2008, will be published soon after 31 July 2008.

Only MAC agencies have been asked to report on their achievement against the 25 per cent target as their travel comprises most of Commonwealth Government's Travel. MAC agencies are the 19 Departments of State, the Australian Bureau of Statistics, the Australian Customs Service, the Australian National Audit Office, the Australian Public Service Commission, the Australian Taxation Office and Centrelink.