

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates 24-28 February 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

What was the cost of transporting guests to and from North Sydney Oval to the function at Kirribilli House on 5 October 2013? Who authorised the transport arrangements? Has the department met the costs of any other transport to events hosted by the Prime Minister since 5 October 2013?

Answer:

The cost of transporting the guests was \$2,822.

It was suggested by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet because of congestion, road closures and lack of parking around Kirribilli as a consequence of the high level of public interest in the International Fleet Review.

No, this was an exceptional circumstance warranted by the events of the International Fleet Review..