

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES (ADDITIONAL HEARINGS) 2013-2014**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

**Outcome/Program:**

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies.

**Topic:** Travel Costs – Ministerial

**Senator:** Senator Ludwig

**Question reference number:** 175

**Type of question:** Written

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**Question:**

- (1) From 7 September 2013, detail all travel conducted by the Minister/parliamentary secretary:
  - a. List each location, method of travel, itinerary and purpose of trip
  - b. List the total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals), and;
  - c. List the number of staff that accompanied the Minister/parliamentary secretary, listing the total costs per staff member, the class of airplane travelled, the classification of staff accompanying the Minister/parliamentary secretary.
- (2) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

**Answer:**

- (1) The Special Minister of State will answer on behalf of all Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio agencies.
- (2) Not applicable.