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Question: 29B

Outcome: 1 Sustainable Government Finances, Output: 1.2 Financial

Management

Topic: Departmental Travel on Airlines other than Qantas

Hansard page: N/A

Written Question on Notice: Tuesday, 4 November 2003

Senator Forshaw asked:

Are departments meeting the requirement to travel on smaller airlines?

Answer:

The Australian Government has an objective in relation to government travel on smaller airlines on the Canberra - Sydney route, not a requirement. The average use of smaller airlines on the Canberra - Sydney route for the September quarter was consistently above the Government's objective of 10 per cent with 11.9, 15.3, 15.6 and 15.4 per cent achieved in the months July to October 2003.

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Hansard page: N/A

Written Question on Notice: 4 November 2003

Senator Forshaw asked:

Are departments reporting to Finance or the Secretary of PM&C on their progress in meeting this requirement?

Answer:

The Government requested departments and agencies to report regularly to the Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. The Department of Finance and Administration, in keeping with its responsibility for procurement policy, collates the reports on behalf of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and provides weekly reports that Department. The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet then provide their Secretary with these reports.

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Hansard page: N/A

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Senator Forshaw asked:

Which departments have reported?

Answer:

The departments and agencies that are reporting are:

Attorney-Generals Department

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries And Forestry

Department of Communication, Information Technology and The Arts

Department of Defence

Department of Education, Science And Training

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

Department of the Environment and Heritage

Department of Family and Community Services

Department of Finance and Administration

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Department of Health and Ageing

Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs

Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Department of the Treasury/Australian Office of Financial Management

Department of Veterans' Affairs

Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander Service

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Australian Bureau of Statistics

Australian Customs

Australian Electoral Commission

Australian Federal Police

Australian Greenhouse Office

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Australian Protective Services

Australian Public Service Commission

Australian Research Council

Australian Securities and Investment Commission

Australian Taxation office

Bureau of Meteorology

Centrelink

National Archives

National Capital Authority

National Office for the Information Economy

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