

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
**Additional Estimates Hearings February 2016**  
**Communications Portfolio**  
**Department of Communications and the Arts**

**Question No: 195**

**Program 1.1**

**Hansard Ref: Written, 19/02/2016**

**Topic: Travel cost - ministerial**

**Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:**

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Please detail all travel conducted by the Minister/parliamentary secretary
2. List each location, method of travel, itinerary and purpose of trip;
3. List the total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals), and;
4. 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.
5. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

**Answer:**

The Department of Finance will answer this question on behalf of the Communications portfolio.