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Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice
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Communications Portfolio
Australia Post

Question No: 242

Program No: Australia Post

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Travel Costs- department

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. Since 25 February 2014, detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).
2. Since 25 February 2014, detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.
3. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

Answer:

1. No Australia Post officers have accompanied the Minister or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel during the period in question.
- 2-3. Australia Post spent a total of \$2.1m on air travel and \$1.9m on accommodation for business-related purposes from 1 February to 31 May 2014. The specific details sought about travel /future travel across the entire corporation are not captured on any central database. As such, Australia Post is not in a position to provide the information requested.