

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

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Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2014 - 2015

Department/Agency: AASB/AUASB

Question: 3367-3372

Topic: Travel costs - department

Reference: Written - 30 October 2014

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

3367. Is the minister or their office or their delegate required to approve all departmental and agency international travel?
- a) If so, under what policy?
 - b) Provide a copy of that policy.
 - c) When was this policy implemented?
3368. List all occurrences of travel that this has occurred under.A. Detail the process.
3369. When is the minister notified, when is approved provided?
3370. Detail all travel (domestic and international) 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).
3371. 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.
- a) What date was the minister or their office was notified of the travel?
 - b) What date did the minister or their office approve the travel?
3372. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

Answer:

AASB

3367. Yes

- a) Official International Travel policy
- b) Attached is the guide which provides the policy.
- c) 1 July 2014

3368. AFAANZ Conference Auckland 4-5/7/14

NZASB Jul'14 Meeting Auckland 30/7/2014

NZASB Aug'14 Meeting Auckland 26/8/2014

AOSSG/ASAF/WSS/Research Forum London Sep'14

IPSASB Meeting Brussels 15-18/9/2014

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3369. Travel must be approved by the Minister when it is more than \$20,000 and less than \$50,000. The Minister is notified and approval is sought prior to booking. Travel must be approved by the Prime Minister if more than \$50,000

3370. Not Applicable

3371. Planned travel

DOMESTIC

SES Role Evaluation Training CBR 2/6/2014

Reason: Training

1 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 574.62
	Economy airfares	\$ 269.04
	Incidentals	\$ 305.58

FRC/CIFR meeting SYD 13/6/2014

Reason: Attend as acting chair

1 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 447.03
	Economy airfares	\$ 261.38
	Incidentals	\$ 185.65

APS Disability Champions Network meeting CBR 23/6/2014

Reason: Training

1 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 477.33
	Economy airfares	\$ 216.05
	Incidentals	\$ 261.28

CIO Meeting CBR 17/9/14

Reason: Attend as Committee member/participant

2 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 997.56
	Economy airfares	\$ 610.67
	Incidentals	\$ 386.89

Finance & Treasury ASIIOC Congress (FTA) Oct' 14

Reason: Presentation

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1 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 121.21
	Economy airfares	\$ 121.21

ACAG FRAC Meeting ADL 27/10/2014

Reason: Liaison with Constituents

2 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 272.34
	Economy airfares	\$ 215.80
	Incidentals	\$ 56.54

Heads of Agency Meeting CBR 28/10/2014

Reason: Liaison with other Agency

1 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 215.80
	Economy airfares	\$ 215.80

INTERNATIONAL

ASAF Meeting London 2-3 Jun'14

Reason: to represent Australia's views internationally

2 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 11,619.98
	Premium Economy airfares	\$ 8,419.91
	Incidentals	\$ 2,574.34
	Accommodation	\$ 625.73

AFAANZ Conference Auckland 4-5/7/14

Reason: to represent and present Australia's views internationally

1 AASB Staff	Total Cost	\$ 1,351.42
	Economy airfare	\$ 723.47
	Incidentals	\$ 247.45
	Accommodation	\$ 380.50

NZASB Jul'14 Meeting Auckland 30/7/2014

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Reason: to represent Australia's views

1 AASB Staff	Total Cost	\$ 984.66
	Economy airfare	\$ 603.07
	Incidentals	\$ 161.91
	Accommodation	\$ 219.68

NZASB Aug' 14 Meeting Auckland 26/8/2014

Reason: to represent Australia's views

1 AASB Staff	Total Cost	\$ 1,305.47
	Economy airfare	\$ 591.97
	Incidentals	\$ 342.55
	Accommodation	\$ 367.95

AOSSG/ASAF/WSS/Research Forum London Sep' 14

Reason: to represent Australia's views internationally

2 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 21,673.58
	Premium Economy airfares	\$ 11,692.54
	Incidentals	\$ 8,217.45
	Accommodation	\$ 1,763.59

IPSASB Meeting Brussels 15-18/9/2014

Reason: to represent Australia's views internationally

1 AASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 6,969.91
	Premium Economy airfares	\$ 5,253.57
	Incidentals	\$ 1,455.09
	Accommodation	\$ 261.25

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3372. Planned Travel

DOMESTIC

3 Interstate trips per month (Jul – Dec i.e. 6 months)

Reason: various meetings to be attended by senior staff

1 AASB staff at each meeting

INTERNATIONAL

NZASB Wellington x 1 meetings

Reason: Chairman's participation in New Zealand Accounting Standards Board – she is a member of that Board under Trans-Tasman cooperation arrangements

1 AASB Staff

AOSSG (Hong Kong)

Reason: to participate in and contribute to the development of a single set of accounting standards for world-wide use by representing Australia's views internationally

When: November 2014

1 AASB Staff

ASAF (London)

Reason: to participate in and contribute to the development of a single set of accounting standards for world-wide use by representing Australia's views internationally

When: December 2014

2 AASB Staff

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AUASB

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NZ FRSB joint meeting Wellington 15/10/14

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DOMESTIC

Roundtable Assurance on Integrated Reporting SYD 23/10/14

Reason: Liaison with Constituents

1 AuASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 304.66
	Economy airfare	\$ 304.66

Panellist on GAP/CPA Australia Annual Forum SYD 24/10/2014

Reason: one staff on panel/ liaison with Constituents

2 AUASB staff	Total Cost	\$ 612.92
	Economy airfare	\$ 612.92

INTERNATIONAL

NZAUASB joint meeting Wellington 23/7/14

Reason: to represent Australia's views

1 AUASB Staff	Total Cost	\$ 965.02
	Economy airfare	\$ 635.25
	Incidentals	\$ 197.90
	Accommodation	\$ 131.87

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NZ FRSB joint meeting Wellington 15/10/14

Reason: to represent Australia's views

1 AUASB Staff	Total Cost	\$ 766.76
	Economy airfare	\$ 589.71
	Incidentals	\$ 46.23
	Accommodation	\$ 130.82

3372. Nil