

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2014 - 2015

**Department/Agency: Treasury**

**Question: SBT 351-352**

**Topic: Travel Costs - Ministerial**

**Reference: Written - 30 October 2014**

**Senator: Ludwig, Joe**

**Question:**

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

351. Please 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.
352. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

**Answer:**

351. a) The Department of Finance can provide details of Minister/Parliamentary Secretary domestic and international travel.
- b) The Department of Finance holds records of all costs associated with travel by the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary.
- c) Refer answer to b. The Department of Finance holds records of all costs associated with travel by Ministerial staff of Minister/Parliamentary Secretary.