

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
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Department/Agency: AOFM

Question: SBT 1558-1561

Topic: 1558-1561 - Meeting costs

Reference: written - 30 October 2015

Senator: Wong, Penny

Question:

Since 1 January 2015:

1558. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
1559. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from Budget Estimates, June 2015 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.
1560. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1561. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer:

1558. For the period 1 January 2015 to 30 October 2015, total amount of \$81,094 was spent on meeting costs. Details of the costs are listed as below:

Date	Purpose	Location	Cost
Domestic conferences/meetings			
13 March 2015	Executive Meeting	Canberra	\$89.80
8 April 2015	Corporate Planning Day	Canberra	\$2,952.00
June 2015	Context Setting	Canberra	\$108.70
30 July 2015	Deposit Industry Function	Sydney	\$3,045.68
10 September 2015	CDAC	Canberra	\$20.50
7 October 2015	Capability Review	Canberra	\$83.60
	Subtotal		\$3,607.63
International conferences/meetings			
June 2015	Australian Government Fixed Income Forum	Tokyo	\$77,486.20
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	Total		\$81,093.83
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Details of costs related to the Australian Government Fixed Income Forum are listed below:

Description	Cost
Ritz Carlton Hotel:	
Room and equipment hire and set-up	\$30,258.91
Food and refreshments	\$19,482.78
Stationery Cost	
Banners/Pens/Bags/Notepads	\$4,025.16
Boomerangs	\$2,722.50
Gift lanyards	\$482.46
Promotion Documents	\$3,762.94
Translation – documents	\$11,519.52
Translation – simultaneous interpretation	\$2,692.65
Photography	\$828.77
Music notes	\$28.93
Embassy contractor	\$1,681.58
TOTAL	\$77,486.20

The Australian Government was the host of the Australian Government Fixed Income Forum. This Forum was held at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in June 2015 and the attendees comprised Japanese investors.

1559. Nil.

1560. Nil, meetings are event driven and occur as required.

1561. Nil.