

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

**Agency - Fair Work Commission**

**Department of Employment Question No. EM0780\_15**

**Senator McKenzie provided in writing.**

**Question**

**FWC - International budget**

- Does the Commission have an international budget?
- During the past five years how has this budget been spent by FWC member, cost, designation, purpose and event?
- Thus far what have been the travel and accommodation expenses?

**Answer**

The Fair Work Commission does not have an international budget.

On occasions Members of the Commission travel overseas for professional development purposes where approved by the President and the General Manager.

On occasions Members of the Commission travel overseas to assist with capacity building in other countries. The activities are generally funded by third parties such as the International Labor Organisation (ILO) or World Bank. The Fair Work Commission has received funding from AusAid in previous years to work with the Supreme Court of Indonesia. No Fair Work Commission funds have been spent on this work in recent years.

On occasions the President and/or the General Manager travel to participate in an international Heads of Agencies meeting.

The attached table details all international travel by FWC Members for the past five years.