

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

#### IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

#### **(BE14/617) PROGRAMME – Internal Product**

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

- a) Since Additional Estimates in 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).
- b) Since Additional Estimates in 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.
- d) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

*Answer:*

- a) Since Additional estimates in February 2014 the Minister has not been accompanied by departmental staff on his travel, other than the Secretary.
- b) Since February 2014 the portfolio has spent approximately \$17.5m on travel costs. To provide a further breakdown would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
- c) Future travel arrangements are based on operational requirements and are subject to change.