

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation  
Committee—Budget Estimates 2005-06 (May 2005)**

**Parliament Portfolio, Department of Parliamentary  
Services**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Topic: Departmental travel**

**Question P21 (written questions)**

1 In respect of the Department of the Senate and the Department of Parliamentary Services and its predecessor departments, can details along the lines of the notice 1577 (23 June 2003) concerning overseas travel by the secretary and each senior executive from the period 1 June to date, and where a spouse or partner accompanied the officer, the costs paid out of Departmental funds for the spouse or partner?

2 Can details be provided on the same basis and over the same period for officers below SES level, including departmental costs of any accompanying spouse or partner?

**Answer:**

The tables below provide the details requested by both questions for the Department of Parliamentary Services (Table A) and its predecessor departments (Table B).

**Table A—Department of Parliamentary Services—1 February 2004 to date**  
**DPS—Overseas travel by departmental officers**

Date of Travel	Name	Purpose (countries visited)	Duration (days)	Accompanied by spouse at departmental expense?	Total Cost \$
<b>Secretary/SES</b>					
20-23/4/05	Hilary Penfold (Secretary)	Meeting of Chief Executives of Aust and NZ Parliamentary Services (New Zealand)	3	No	2,770.70
9-28/8/04 (Recreation leave 10-17/8/04)	June Verrier	70 <sup>th</sup> IFLA Annual General Conference (Chile and Argentina)	13	No	11,569.55
15-24/1/05	Ros Membrey	Biennial Parliamentary Librarians of Asia and the Pacific (India)	9	No	8,050.16
<b>Non SES</b>					
27/2-6/3/05	Gerry Newman	Library Study Trip NZ Parliament (New Zealand)	8	No	814.43 meals and incidentals only NZ Parliament paid for flights and accommodation
28/5-4/6/05	John Lloyd	New Zealand Turf Conference (New Zealand)	7	No	2,050.30 not yet acquitted
24/4-13/5/04	Mirek Ciolek	Training for LCR Project (Germany)	20	No	13,040.63
24/4-13/5/04	Neil Pickford	Training for LCR Project (Germany)	20	No	13,820.95
24/4-13/5/04	Carlo Turcic	Training for LCR Project (Germany)	20	No	13,667.56

**Table B—DPRS,DPL,JHD—1 June 2003 to 31 January 2004**

**DPRS, DPL, JHD—Overseas travel by departmental officers**

Date of Travel	Name	Purpose (countries visited)	Duration (days)	Accompanied by spouse at departmental expense?	Total Cost \$
<b>Department of the Parliamentary Library</b>					
<b>Secretary/SES</b>					
28/07-09/08/03	Rob Johnson	IFLA Conference (Czech Republic/Germany)	13	No	13,782.00
28/07-09/08/03	June Verrier	IFLA Conference (Czech Republic/Germany)	11	No	13,238.00
<b>Non-SES</b>					
28/07-09/08/03	Nola Adcock	IFLA Conference (Czech Republic/Germany)	14	No	15,052.00
<b>Department of the Parliamentary Reporting Staff</b>					
<b>Non-SES</b>					
28/10-10/11/03	Mike McGurgan	MicroSoft SAF and site visits USA	14	No	12,807.30
<b>Joint House Department</b>					
Nil					