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Senator Evans asked: Why did it cost us \$3,000 a night for the Prime Minister in Ho Chi Minh City? Do you know how many nights he was in Ho Chi Minh City?

Answer: The Park Hyatt in Ho Chi Minh City was selected on the basis of security considerations, floor layout and programme elements to be held in and near this hotel. The cost of the Prime Minister's suite reflects the hotel's normal charge.

The Prime Minister stayed two nights in Ho Chi Minh City.