

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Budget Estimates Hearing 26 May - 27 May 2008



Question: PM161a

Outcome 1, Output 5.5

Topic: Defence Force Planes

Hansard Page: Written Question

Senator Fifield asked: How many Defence Force planes were used for this trip?

Answer: Two.

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Question: PM161b

Outcome 1, Output 5.5

Topic: Flight schedules

Hansard Page: Written Question

Senator Fifield asked: Please provide the flight schedules for each flight of each plane for the duration of the trip (showing take off and landing times)

Answer: The Department of Defence has advised that information for all Defence Special Purpose Aircraft tasks is tabled twice annually in Parliament in *The Schedule of Special Purpose Flights*. In accordance with normal practice, the details for flights between 1 January and 30 June 2008 will be tabled in December 2008.

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Question: PM161c

Outcome 1, Output 5.5

Topic: Passenger manifest

Hansard Page: Written Question

Senator Fifield asked: Please provide the passenger manifest for each plane on each flight of the trip

Answer: The passenger manifest for the Special Purpose Aircraft will be tabled in the Parliament by the Department of Defence in accordance with established practice.

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Question: PM161d

Outcome 1, Output 5.5

Topic: Flight schedules and manifests

Hansard Page: Written Question

Senator Fifield asked: If the Department refuses to release the flight schedules or the manifests, please state the reasons why the Department refuses to release the flight schedules or the manifests and whether any advice was sought from any Minister or their office in relation to releasing the flight schedules or the manifests and the nature of such advice

Answer: Not applicable.

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Question: PM161e

Outcome 1, Output 5.5

Topic: Travelling media's plane

Hansard Page: Written Question

Senator Fifield asked: On how many occasions did the travelling media's plane leave before the plane carrying the Prime Minister?

Answer: The Department of Defence has advised that during the course of the trip, the media aircraft departed before the aircraft carrying the Prime Minister on four occasions. On three occasions the aircraft carrying the Prime Minister departed before the media aircraft.

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Question: PM161f

Outcome 1, Output 5.5

Topic: Cost breakdown for operating each plane

Hansard Page: Written Question

Senator Fifield asked: Please provide the full cost breakdown for operating each plane over the course of this trip

Answer: The cost for the Special Purpose Aircraft will be tabled in the Parliament by the Department of Defence in accordance with established practice.

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Question: PM161g

Outcome 1, Output 5.5

Topic: Media contribution to cost of media plane

Hansard Page: Written Question

Senator Fifield asked: How much did media organisations contribute towards the cost of the media plane?

Answer: Please see Senate Hansard for the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Budget Estimates hearing of 4 June 2008, pages 112 and 113.