

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Budget Estimates Hearing – May 2010**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Outcome 3, Program 3.1**

**Topic: Use of Frequent Flyer Points by Staff to Upgrade Travel**

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**Senator Collins asked:**

On how many occasions, and by how many people, were frequent flyer points used to upgrade travel on flights of three hours or more duration?

**Answer:**

Finance relies on information provided to it during the Monthly Management Report certification process:

- For the period 1 January 2006 to 27 May 2010, airline loyalty points were used to upgrade travel by seven personal staff from six offices, on a total of 18 flights. The most recent date of travel for a personal staff member was 22 March 2009.
- Over the same period, airline loyalty points were used to upgrade travel by three electorate staff from one office on a total of 11 flights. The most recent date of travel for an electorate officer was 17 July 2007.