

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance and Deregulation

**Outcome/Program:** 3/3.1

**Topic:** Former Foreign Affairs Minister Kevin Rudd's accommodation expenses

**Senator:** Kroger

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**Question:**

Can you confirm that Minister Rudd's accommodation expenses for a two-night stay in Jerusalem was \$4,200 and a one night stay in Stockholm was \$1,700.

**Answer:**

In the 2010-11 financial year, Mr Rudd made two official visits to Jerusalem. The Department of Finance and Deregulation paid \$594.98 for accommodation costs in March 2011. The Department was not requested to pay accommodation expenses for a visit in December 2010 and is therefore unable to comment on the cost.

The Department of Finance and Deregulation records indicate that Mr Rudd's accommodation costs in Stockholm in May 2011 were \$1,541.73.