

Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing – October 2008

Department of Finance and Deregulation

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio



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Senator Ronaldson asked:

Minister, yesterday I was asking you about an itemisation of travel, a breakdown of travel, for Mr Peter Stephens. You suggested that I should make that request today under MAPS, so I ask you to take on notice a full breakdown and itemisation of Mr Peter Stephen's travel with dates and destinations and who else was on the travel party.

Answer:

The attached table lists all travel paid by the Department of Finance and Deregulation for Mr Peter Stephens, Adviser to the Prime Minister, since his commencement in the office on 7 April 2008. The table also includes details of other *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984* employees from the office of the Prime Minister and Ms Therese Rein, spouse of the Prime Minister, who were travelling on the same flight as Mr Stephens.

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Date	From	To	Flight/s Cost	Travel Allowance Claimed	Accompanying Persons (for at least one of the travel legs)
21/05/08	Canberra	Adelaide	\$845.95	\$213.00	REIN, Therese
22/05/08	Adelaide	Canberra			
27/05/08	Canberra	Sydney	\$428.48	\$82.00	REIN, Therese
28/05/08	Sydney	Canberra			
22/06/08	Canberra	Melbourne	\$596.56	\$218.00	n/a
23/06/08	Melbourne	Canberra			
18/07/08	Sydney	Canberra	\$229.69	n/a	PHILIP, Pradeep
21/07/08	Sydney	Canberra	\$229.69	n/a	REIN, Therese
					JAKSIC, Elida
					WRIGHT, George
23/07/08	Canberra	Sydney	\$975.14	\$84.00	n/a
24/07/08	Sydney	Brisbane			
24/07/08	Brisbane	Canberra			
29/07/08	Canberra	Brisbane	\$748.45	\$816.00	FISHER, John
01/09/08	Brisbane	Sydney			
07/09/08	Canberra	Sydney	\$227.87	\$84.00	n/a
13/09/08	Canberra	Sydney	\$457.56	\$84.00	n/a
14/09/08	Sydney	Canberra			
28/09/08	Canberra	Sydney	\$937.87	\$84.00	REIN, Therese
01/09/08	Sydney	Brisbane		\$272.00	
02/09/08	Brisbane	Sydney			
08/09/08	Canberra	Sydney	\$975.14	\$84.00	REIN, Therese
09/09/08	Sydney	Brisbane			BURTON, Karen
09/09/08	Brisbane	Canberra			FISHER, John
					HILLMAN, Jeremy

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					KUMAR, Ankit
					LYE, Michael
07/10/08	Canberra	Sydney	\$920.17		REIN, Therese
07/10/08	Sydney	Adelaide		\$212.00	
08/10/08	Adelaide	Canberra			

