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Dear Madam Speaker the Honourable Kezia Purick MLA,

RE: Member for Arnhem post-travel report for Melbourne 27 - 28 December 2016

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Please find enclosed my post-travel report pursuant to Clause 6.12 of Remuneration Tribunal Determination (RTD) No 2 of 2016.

On 27 December 2016 I undertook travel to Melbourne, Victoria to attend a Visa interview at the US Consulate General Melbourne for travel to the United States. The Visa was required in order to participate in the International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP): Education and activism for young women held in the USA from 29 January – 18 February 2017.

Please find below the relevant information outlined in my report:

- (a) The interstate travel was necessary in order to obtain a US Visa required for the IVLP which required applicants to be interviewed in person and there is no US Consulate located in the Northern Territory.
- (b) During my travel I visited the US Consulate General Melbourne for the Visa interview. After my appointment I visited with Mr William Furnish, Public Affairs Officer of the US Consulate General Melbourne and his staff for a light morning tea.
- (c) During my travel I obtained a copy of the Visa documents which would be returned to me with my passport once the Visa was processed. I did not obtain any publications during my travel. My contact with Mr Furnish and his staff may be considered an interest as a Member of Parliament as staff from the US Consulate General Melbourne visit the Northern Territory several times each year due to the connections and relationship between the US Defence Force and the Australian Defence Force activities based in the NT.

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- (d) As this travel was essential in obtaining a required Visa for my future travel to the US in January and February 2017 there are no summaries for study areas to offer as part of this Melbourne post-travel report. The summaries for the IVLP will be submitted in my USA post-travel report due on 24 April 2017.
- (e) During the Visa interview I was granted the J-1 Visa required in order to participate in the International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) held in the USA from 29 January – 18 February 2017.
- (f) I would make the recommendation that if any of my Parliamentary colleagues require a US visa to ensure they book an early morning appointment and arrive at the building at least 15minutes before the doors open at 08:00am as there is a long line of people already gathered and this line remains steady throughout the day. Allow at least two-three hours to complete the Visa interview if needing to make travel arrangements on the same day.
- (g) A break-down of costs associated with travel:
- 27/12/2016 - 28/12/2016 - Travel insurance with Cover-More **\$22.00**
 - 27/12/2016 - QF839 QANTAS flight Darwin to Melbourne: **\$389.00**
 - 27/12/2016 - Taxi Melbourne Airport to hotel in CBD: **\$58.50**
 - 27/12/2016 - Vibe Savoy Hotel Melbourne x1night: **\$205.00**
 - 28/12/2016 - Taxi Melbourne hotel to US Consulate General: **\$17.00**
 - 28/12/2016 - Taxi US Consulate General to Melbourne hotel: **\$13.30**
 - 28/12/2016 - Taxi hotel Melbourne CBD to Melbourne Airport: **\$50.30**
 - **Total costs associated with travel: \$755.10**

If you have any advice, questions or concerns regarding this post-travel submission please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Yours sincerely,



Selena Uibo MLA
Member for Arnhem