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To: Committee, Economics & Industry Standing

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This email is in regards to the pricing of airfares from Kununurra. The cost to fly out to either Perth or other destinations is unexplainable. I am fully aware that there are overheads but when a seat on a plane can change from one day to the next by \$100s of dollars I don't understand.

I am an Assistant Leader of Non for profit Community Group. We have 6 young ladies travelling to Perth to attend Government House for an award Ceremony. Getting quotes for our airfares started at \$950 per person. They have 3 adults accompanying them. Dues to the expense 3 are flying down earlier and the others are flying in on a Friday night before the awards on Saturday. This is because all other days we were looking at around \$1250. Unbelievable. It isn't a holiday, these girls have worked for 18 months or more to achieve this award. To not attend and be commended for their outstanding achievements would have been heart breaking. Each family has ended up paying for their child to fly as our organisation could not pay for the flights. We have fundraised and budgeted for this event but the price of getting to Perth has blown the budget apart.

Something needs to be looked at. Sometimes it is out of our control that air travel needs to promptly. To be made pay exorbitant fares for a seat really hurts.

Hopefully this can be looked at and some changes made.

Regards Mandy Dietrich