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TRADE OFFICES, DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL, LOCATIONS, EMPLOYEES AND BUDGETS

322. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Premier

Will the Premier advise, in regards to each of Western Australia's domestic and international trade offices for which he is responsible, the following -

- (a) where are these offices located;
- (b) what is the total number of people employed in each office;
- (c) of the people employed in each office -
 - (i) how many are Western Australian;
 - (ii) how many are citizens of the foreign country in which the office is located (where relevant):
 - (iii) how many are permanent residents of the State in which the office is located (where relevant);
- (d) what is the total budget for each office, including but not limited to, a breakdown of wages and salaries, promotional activities, lease costs, travel costs and other costs;
- (e) what is the total amount of money that was, or is, allocated for the operation of these offices in the years -
 - (i) 1995-1996;
 - (ii) 1996-1997;
 - (iii) 1997-1998;
 - (iv) 1998-1999;
 - (v) 1999-2000;
 - (vi) 2000-2001;
 - (vii) 2001-2002;
 - (viii) 2002-2003;
 - (ix) 2003-2004;
 - (x) 2004-2005;
 - (xi) 2005-2006;
 - (xii) 2006-2007;
 - (xiii) 2007-2008; and (xiv) 2008-2009?

Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:

(a)-(c) (iii)

North Asia (Kobe/Tokyo)	London	Dubai	Korea		
(b) 6	(b) 9.4	(b) 3	(b) 3		
(c)(i) 1	(c)(i) 6	(c)(i) 1	(c)(i) 1		
(c)(ii) 2	(c)(ii) 2.4	(c)(ii) 0	(c)(ii) 2		
(c)(iii) 5	(c)(iii) 4.4	(c)(iii) 0	(c)(iii) 0		

The Korean Office was re-established under the Department of Industry and Resources on July 5 2004.

(d)-(e) Budgets for each overseas office are constructed by that office in the foreign currency applicable to that office.

Provision of a breakdown of each budget for each year in the detail sought would involve significant resource and I am not prepared to allocate the State's resources to provide a response. If the Member has a specific inquiry I will endeavour to provide a reply. The schedule below indicates the amounts advanced in \$A\$ to each overseas office for the years 1995/96 - 2004/05.

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05
European Office	1,633,465	2,227,787	2,388,925	1,537,025	1,532,671	2,130,183	1,743,421	2,926,466	2,523,716	2,308,085
North Asia	1,338,334	1,304,066	1,269,833	1,445,317	1,293,277	1,943,431	1,077,544	1,259,969	1,126,931	1,087,667
Korea		358,915	281,577	282,505	280,427	280,186	71,830			290,000

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Dubai				273,968	412 239	571 131
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The financial allocation to each overseas office for the 2005/06 year in \$A is as follows

European Office \$2,004,607.00 North Asia \$1,442,795.00 Dubai \$692,135.00 Korea \$290,000.00

No budget has been determined as yet for the years 2006/07 - 2008/09.