QUESTION ON NOTICE

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HON G GRACE ASKED MINISTER FOR FINANCE, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING (HON R BATES) —

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise total current planned expenditure for international ministerial missions in (a) 2025-26, (b) 2026-27 and (c) 2027-28?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli LNP Government recognises that many opportunities for Queensland and our locally-based businesses lie overseas. Ministerial trade missions are vital for showcasing Queensland's goods and services, connecting with international alumni and allies, reassuring investors, and gaining access to high-level decision-makers abroad. These missions strengthen existing partnerships, explore new relationships, and provide a forum to discuss mutual opportunities and challenges with foreign counterparts.

Forecasted expenditure for trade missions over the next three years is yet to be determined as the mission program is still under development.

The Crisafulli LNP Government has respect for taxpayer's money. Accordingly, I have directed Trade and Investment Queensland (TIQ) to ensure international Ministerial missions are being delivered as efficiently and effectively as possible, with numerous and important engagements required for each program.

International Ministerial missions will continue to be planned for markets identified by TIQ's international market prioritisation for trade and investment engagement, and to respond to opportunities for Queensland as they arise.