

TRAVEL BY CABINET MINISTERS 1999 / 2000

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MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>RAF/ Private Charter</u>	<u>No of Officials accomp anying Minister</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food</u>					
30 May - 1 June 1999	Dresden	Informal Agricultural Council			614
14-15 June 1999	Luxembourg	Agricultural Council			3,592
29-30 June 1999	Helsinki	Bilateral with Finnish Agricultural Minister		7	713
30 July - 7 August 1999	New Zealand and Australia	Bilaterals with New Zealand Prime Minister, Agriculture Minister and Trade Minister and Australian Agricultural Minister	*		7,058
13-14 September 1999	Tampere	Informal Agricultural Council			721
10 January 2000	Madrid	Bilateral with Spanish Agriculture Minister			503
11-15 February 2000	USA	Bilaterals with US Agriculture Secretary, Congressman Combast and Stenholm, President of American Farm Bureau Federation and Under Secretary for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs			6,304

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

CABINET OFFICE

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Minister for the Cabinet Office / Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster</u>			
(Dr Jack Cunningham) 4-5 October 1999	Rome	Speech to the British Council Seminar on Modernising Government. Meeting with Minister Bassinini on Better Regulation and Modernising Government issues	657
(Dr Marjorie Mowlam) 18-21 December 1999	Portugal	Meetings with Portuguese Ministers and Media to discuss Drugs issues	761

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Secretary of State</u>			
26 April-7 May 1999	China	Promotion of British Cultural Industries	8,467
18-19 May 1999	Cannes	Film Festival and Promotion of British Film	2,402
10-11 June 1999	Venice	Attend opening of Biennale+D216	1,239
24-25 June 1999	Rome	Meeting with Romano Prodi and European Cultural Ministers	1,928
19-26 October 1999	USA and Canada	Attend Millennium Reception and Promote British TV and Film interests	7,328

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

Date	Country	Event	Category	Number of Ministers	Cost (£)
20-22 September 1999	Canada	Attendance at NATO Informal Ministerial Meeting at Toronto	*	3	5,635
18-19 October 1999	Germany, France and Italy	Bilaterals with Defence Ministers	*	2	6,994
21-23 October 1999	Egypt	Bilateral with President, Defence Minister and US Defence Secretary. Visit British Forces on Exercise Bright Star	*	12	58,185
15 November 1999	Belgium	EU General Affairs Council	*	2	2,641
23 November 1999	Luxembourg	WEU Ministerials	*	6	2,151
1-3 December 1999	Belgium	NATO Ministerials	*	7	6,864
15-17 December 1999	Croatia, Kosovo, Italy	Visits to British Forces in Split, Pristina and Gioia Del Colle	*	14	20,493
17-18 January 2000	Greece	Bilateral Talks and visit British Forces	**	5	10,135
24-28 January 2000	USA	Bilaterals			5,229
31 January - 3 February 2000	UAE + Kuwait	Bilaterals			3,791
4-5 February 2000	Munich, Germany	International Security Policy Conference			813
17 February 2000	France	Bilaterals with NATO Defence Ministers	*	2	1,405
27-28 February 2000	Portugal	Defence Ministers' Meeting	*	2	4,925
6-10 March 2000	Falkland Islands, Uruguay and Argentina	Visit British Forces and Bilaterals	**	10	3,962
6-10 March 2000	Germany	Anglo-German Annual Seminar	*	5	3,820

Costs for flight met by No.10

+ RAF flight on outward journey and civil flight on return journey

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>RAF/ Private Charter</u>	<u>No. of Officials Accomp anying Minister</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
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Secretary of State for Education and Employment

25-26 May 1999	Brussels	Social Affairs Council	*	4	1,815
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MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT AND THE REGIONS

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>RAF/ Private Charter</u>	<u>No of Officials accomp anying Minister</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Deputy Prime Minister</u>					
18-24 April 1999	Baltimore/Washington/New York/Boston	Attend UN Commission for Sustainable Development; discussions with US Administration and Senators in Washington on bilateral relations, climate change, aviation and urban regeneration; urban regeneration visit to Baltimore; and visit to Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.			5,717
5-6 June 1999	Reykjavik	Represent UK Government at the Seafarer's Memorial Service in Iceland			995
15-17 June 1999	Johannesburg	Represent UK Government at Inauguration of President Mbeki			5,915
19-20 September 1999	Warsaw	UN High Level Meeting on Climate Change			940
2-9 December 1999	Delhi	Meetings with Prime Minister and other Ministers on Aviation and Climate Change			6,803
12-17 March 2000	Rio de Janeiro/ Brazilia/ Sao Paulo/ Miami/ Washington	Meetings with President and various Ministers, and Trade Promotion in Brazil. Meetings with the Carnival and Cunard companies in Miami and discussions on aviation with US Secretary for Transportation in Washington			11,906

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13 September 1999	Brussels	General Affairs Council	*	6	1,540
20-24 September 1999	New York	United Nations General Assembly 54			8,540
11 October 1999	Luxembourg/ Brussels	Opening of Scottish Executive Office and General Affairs Council	*	6	2,320
14-16 October 1999	Tampere	Special EU Council	*	27	30,160
23-26 October 1999	Tel Aviv, Gaza and Jerusalem	Bilaterals	*	13	52,700
7-15 November 1999	Accra, Johannesburg and Durban	State Visit** and Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting	*	4	4,010
16 November 1999	Paris	Dinner with Foreign Minister Vedrine	*	4	1,190
17-19 November 1999	Istanbul	Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe Summit	*	23	40,780
6 December 1999	Brussels	General Affairs Council	*	6	1,850
10-11 December 1999	Helsinki	EU Council	*	20	33,870
15-16 December 1999	Brussels/ Berlin	North Atlantic Council/ Euro Atlantic Partnership Council	*	11	11,330
5-6 January 2000	Lisbon	Bilateral	*	12	11,582
17-20 January 2000	Cairo/ Amman	Bilaterals	*	15	56,549
24-25 January 2000	Brussels	General Affairs Council	*	12	2,425
26 January 2000	Stockholm	International Conference on the Holocaust	*	13	9,475
3 February 2000	Brussels	BBC Question Time on Europe	*	3	1,322
5-6 February 2000	Dublin	Bilateral	*	4	1,161
9-10 February 2000	Washington	Bilateral			6,744
14-15 February 2000	Brussels	General Affairs Council	*	13	2,730
22-24 February 2000	Moscow/ Tbilisi	Bilateral	*	15	53,493
6 March 2000	Bratislava	Bilateral	*	9	8,829
9 March 2000	Brussels	Bilateral	*	6	1,275
13 March 2000	Zagreb	Bilateral	*	9	8,627
20 March 2000	Brussels	General Affairs Council	*	7	2,806
23-24 March 2000	Lisbon	EU Council	*	23	31,910

** Buckingham Palace paid cost of private charter

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
15-18 May 1999	Switzerland	Attendance at meeting of Commonwealth Health Ministers and World Health Assembly	920

Secretary of State for Health

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Secretary of State</u>			
4-5 April 1999	Macedonia/ Albania	Visit Refugee Camps	9,905
10-12 April 1999	Rwanda	Visit DfID programmes/ talks with Rwandan Ministers	5,049
26-28 April 1999	Washington	World Bank International Monetary Fund Spring Meetings	4,534
2-5 May 1999	Uganda	Visit DfID programmes/ talks with Government Ministers	4,657
29 June - 1 July 1999	New York	UN Population Conference	4,584
19-21 July 1999	Sierra Leone	Visit DfID programmes/ talks with Government Ministers	2,363
25-26 July 1999	Norway	Utstein - Meeting with Dutch/ German/ Norwegians on Development issues	632
28-30 July 1999	Brussels	Development Council meeting	523
23-25 August 1999	Macedonia/ Albania	Visit Refugee Camps	4,195
29 August - 2 September 1999	Bolivia	Visit DfID programme/ talks with Government Ministers	5,025
25-27 September 1999	Washington	World Bank International Monetary Fund Annual Meetings	4,627
26 October 1999	New York	Speech to the United Nations on UN Reform	4,443
28-30 November 1999	Seattle	World Trade Organisations Ministerial Talks	6,284
14-16 February 2000	Bangkok	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development	6,479
5-10 March 2000	Nigeria/ Sierra Leone	Visit DfID programmes/ talks with Government Ministers	3,267
20-23 March 2000	The Hague/ Amsterdam	World Water Conference/ Tuberculosis Conference	1,096
27 March 2000	Portugal	Speech to a meeting of Anglican Bishops on debt/ poverty alleviation	672

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

LORD CHANCELLOR'S DEPARTMENT

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Lord Chancellor</u>			
22-24 May 1999	Rome	Meetings with Ministers and senior judges; speech at Accademie di Lincei	577
8-21 September 1999	China, Hong Kong and Singapore	Meetings with Ministers, senior judges and academics; delivering Annual Lecture to Singapore Academy of Law	8,288
26-29 February 2000	Berlin	Speech on constitutional law, Reichstag	596

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

LORD PRIVY SEAL

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Leader of the House of Lords, Lord Privy Seal and Minister for Women</u>			
14 June 1999	Berlin	Meeting German Minister for Women	583
29 February-4 March 2000	USA and Canada	Bilateral on the Women's Agenda	5137
16-17 March 2000	Stockholm	Bilateral with Swedish Minister for Women	930

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

Prime Minister's Office

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>RAF/ Private Charter</u>	<u>No. of Officials Accomp anying Minister</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Prime Minister</u>					
14 April 1999	Brussels	Working dinner and bilateral discussions with EU Commission President and Heads of State	*	7	2,019
20 April 1999	Mons/ RAF Bruggen	Video Conference with NATO Commanders, meeting with Solana; visit to Tornado base	*	6	2,765
21-25 April 1999	Washington, Chicago, Washington	NATO Summit; speech to Economic Club	*	24	64,350
1-4 May 1999	Macedonia, Romania, Skopje, Bucharest	Meetings with Presidents; visit troops and refugees	*	12	12,875
12-13 May 1999	Geilenkirchen, Germany	Receive Charlemagne Prize	*	10	3,284
17-18 May 1999	Sofia, Bulgaria and Tirana, Albania	Bilateral meetings and visit troops and refugees	*	13	18,354 ¹
2-4 June 1999	Cologne, Germany; Rotterdam	European Council Meeting; Q&A session	*	13	8,304
18-20 June 1999	Cologne, Germany	G 7/8	*	11	6,212
30-31 July 1999	Banja Luka; Skopje; Pristina	Balkan Stability Summit; bilaterals; visit troops	*	11	9,369
6-31 August 1999	Pisa, Italy Florence, Italy; Toulouse, France	Meeting with Prime Minister Prodi/ holiday	*	4	19,855 ²
14-16 October 1999	Tampere, Finland	Special European Council	*	8	9,388
8 November 1999	Paris, France	Bilateral with the Argentine President-elect and attend the Socialist International meeting	*	7	3,385
11-14 November 1999	Durban; George; Cape Town, South Africa	Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting	*	16	139,775
20-21 November 1999	Florence, Italy	International Conference on Progressive Governance	*	14	6,545

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

9-10 December 1999	Helsinki, Finland	European Council	*	15	11,146
2-9 January 2000	Lisbon, Portugal	Holiday and preparations for European Council			1,999
28 January 2000	Zurich, Switzerland	World Economic Forum, Davos	*	6	4,737
23 February 2000	Brussels	Meet EU Commission and Bilateral with Belgian Prime Minister	*	7	1,143
10-11 March 2000	St Petersburg, Russia	Bilateral with President-elect Putin	*	12	30,426
22-24 March 2000	Lisbon, Portugal	European Council	*	14	11,073

¹ Includes cost of reconnaissance visit in advance of Prime Minister's visit.

² The costs shown are the net costs to No.10. Persons accompanying the Prime Minister who were not part of the official party paid the Department the equivalent of a normal return fare.

³ The Prime Minister and his family paid for their own flights - this is the cost of essential staff accompanying the Prime Minister.

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
10-16 October 1999	Australia	Addressing a conference held by the Chief Executive Women, and meetings with Ministers, public sector officials and the private sector to discuss preparations for the Millennium Bug.	5,925

President of the Council and Leader of the House of Commons

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

SOCIAL SECURITY

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Secretary of State for Social Security</u>			
19 April 1999	Stockholm	Meeting with Swedish Ministers for Security and Health and Social Affairs	565
8-9 July 1999	Finland	Meeting with Portuguese Minister for Labour and Solidarity, Italian Minister of Labour and Social Affairs, Austrian Federal Minister for Labour, Health and Social Affairs and German Parliamentary State Secretary, Employment and Social Affairs	911
3-9 October 1999	USA	Fact finding visit on welfare to work	2,030
31 January 2000	Brussels	Meeting with EU Social Affairs Commissioner	505
10-11 February 2000	Lisbon	Meeting of Informal Social Affairs Council	625

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
12-11 June 1999	Japan, China and Hong Kong	Trade Promotion	9,011
11 October 1999	Brussels	Meetings with EU Commissioners and MEPs	739
28 November - 4 December 1999	Seattle, USA	Attend World Trade Organisation Ministerial Meeting	8,545
6-12 January 2000	India	Trade Promotion	2,861
24-25 January 2000	Berlin	Meeting with Minister Muller	661
8 February 2000	Lisbon	Meeting with Dr Pina Moura and other engagements	678
22-23 March 2000	Munich	Meeting with Professor Milberg, BMW	645

Secretary of State for Trade and Industry

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

TREASURY

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>RAF/ Charter</u>	<u>No. of Officials Accomp anying Minister</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Chancellor of the Exchequer</u>					
16-17 April 1999	Dresden	Informal ECOFIN	*	5	3,912
25-28 April 1999	Washington	G7 and IMF/ World Bank Spring meetings; bilateral meetings	*		6,615
25 May 1999	Brussels	ECOFIN	*	5	1,658
3 June 1999	Cologne	European Council	*	4	3,443
12 June 1999	Cologne	G7 Finance Ministers	*	6	2,078
12 July 1999	Brussels	ECOFIN	*	5	1,250
13 July 1999	Brussels	G7 meeting	*	5	1,339
10-11 September 1999	Turku, Finland	Informal ECOFIN	*	5	4,832
15-17 September 1999	New York and Washington	Speaking engagement in New York and bilateral meetings in Washington	*		6,500
24-29 September 1999	Washington	G7 and IMF/ World Bank Annual meetings; bilateral meetings	*		4,323
8 October 1999	Luxembourg	ECOFIN	*	5	1,817
4-8 December 1999	Washington	Bilateral meetings	*		5,553
9-10 December 1999	Helsinki	European Council	*	6	5,594
15-16 December 1999	Berlin	G20 Finance Ministers meeting	*	5	3,550
21-23 January 2000	Tokyo	G7 Finance Ministers meeting	*		6,959
31 January 2000	Brussels	ECOFIN	*	6	1,412
21-23 February 2000	New York	Speaking engagement	*		6,519
28 February 2000	Brussels	ECOFIN	*	5	1,517

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

SCOTLAND OFFICE

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
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N.B. There were no overseas travel costs incurred by the Secretary of State for Scotland between 1 April 1999 and 31 March 2000.

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

WALES OFFICE

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
6-8 December 1999	Brussels	Meeting to consider the role of Wales as far as the European Community is concerned and Welsh input in the UK co-ordination of European business	711

Secretary of State for Wales

MINISTERIAL TRAVEL

NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Purpose of Trip</u>	<u>Cost of Travel and Accommodation</u>
<u>Secretary of State</u>			
(Dr Marjorie Mowlam) 20-23 July 1999	New York, Washington, Boston	Update key opinion formers and the media on NI developments	5,655
(Peter Mandelson) 5-8 December 1999	Washington, New York	Update US Government officials and US media on NI developments	5,836
20-23 February 2000	New York, Boston, Washington	Explain and discuss with US Government officials, the decision to suspend the NI Executive	5,849
28 February to 2 March 2000	Tel Aviv	Address Middle East Peace Conference	2,094
15-18 March 2000	New York, Washington	Attended meetings with main NI political parties during the St Patrick's Day celebrations	4,669