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Dear ,

Request for Information – ATISN reference 11715

Thank you for your request which was received by the Welsh Government on 15 November 2017. You asked for the following information:

The number of overnight stays made by the First Minister during the Fourth Assembly, on which his Special Adviser (Jo Kiernan) was also present and overnight accommodation was claimed for; Venue and room type; Total cost;

Date of visit	Purpose of visit	Venue	Number of nights	Overnight attendees	Room type	Total cost
6/1/2014	Visit to Uganda	Golf Course Hotel in Kampala	1	First Minister, Private Secretary and Special Adviser	No record of room type	£346.35 (£115.45pp)
7-11/1/2014	Visit to Uganda	Mount Elgon Hotel in Mbale	4	First Minister, Private Secretary and Special Adviser	No record of room type	£536.52 (£178.84pp)
27/11/2014	British Irish Council in the Isle of Man	Sefton Hotel	1	First Minister, Lesley Griffiths, Private Secretary, Press Officer and Special Adviser	No record of room type	£672 (£134.40pp)
18/6/2015	British	Westbury	1	First	2 x	Total: £1,460

22/7/2015	Irish Council in Dublin	Hotel St George's	1	Minister, Vaughan Gething Private Secretary, Press Officer and Special Adviser First	Superior front facing rooms (Ministers), 3 x Superior rooms (officials) 4 x Classic	Ministers: £620 (£310pp) Officials: £840 (£280pp) £300 (£75pp)
	Connect and other visits in area	Hotel, Llandudno		Minister, Private Secretary, Driver and Special Adviser	town facing rooms	
26/11/2015	British Irish Council in London	Double Tree Westminster	1	First Minister, Carl Sargeant, Private Secretary and Special Adviser	Queen room x 4	£665.28 (£166.32pp)

The total number of overnight stays where the First Minister and Jo Kiernan were present is 9.

The total cost of these stays was £3980.15.

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Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

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Yours sincerely