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Dear ,

ATISN 12857 – Information on attendance at Climate Change events

Thank you for your request which I received on **19-12-18** about **Information on attendance at Climate Change events**. You have asked:-

- 1) Did WAG send anyone to the recent global conferences held in the Argentine and Poland, as either observers, or delegates?
- 2) If so, who went, and at what cost, and were they allowed / invited to speak at those conferences, or at fringe events?

Please see the below response to these questions.

There was no representation at any climate change conference in Argentina this year. However, two officials from the Decarbonisation team within Welsh Government, as part of the UK delegation, attended the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Conference of Parties (COP24) in Katowice, Poland.

The delegates attended the main conference, meetings and events, where they were allowed to actively participate but did not have any formal speaking slots. Many of the meetings and bilaterals attended by officials included Ministers from other states and regional governments. These events are key for the Welsh Government to drive action and exchange information in decarbonising the economy.

The total costs of attendance for the two officials was £1,497.63.

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Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

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However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely