

D&CP – POST ASSIGNMENT TRAVEL

Resource Summary

(\$ in thousands)

Appropriations	FY 2011 Actual	FY 2012 Estimate	FY 2013 Request	Increase / Decrease
Funds	171,049	199,065	202,556	3,491

Program Description

Post Assignment Travel (PAT) supports the Department's worldwide change of station costs, travel and transportation costs, and training per diem. This function is crucial to staffing overseas missions with competent trained personnel and ensuring effective management of human resources. The request supports the permanent change of station requirements for Foreign Service and Civil Service personnel ensuring timely deployment of personnel, their families, and their personal effects. The PAT function supports the Department's mission in the following key areas:

Permanent Change of Station (PCS)

The majority of funds will be used for travel of employees and eligible family members, shipment of household effects and privately-owned vehicles, and placement of household effects into storage and the continuing storage of those effects. Except for travel funded by other appropriations or bureaus, this account funds all allowable appointment, transfer, home leave, and separation travel for both the Foreign Service and the Civil Service. Tours of duty are generally three or four years at most overseas posts and one or two years at posts with extreme hardship conditions. While costs vary widely from post to post, the average cost per PCS is \$33,385.

Training Per Diem

Per diem is provided for employees while in extended training at the Foreign Service Institute (FSI) in Arlington, Virginia. The training, which these per diem payments will support, prepares Foreign Service officers and Specialists for their next overseas assignments. Employees can receive per diem for up to two years while studying difficult languages at FSI.

Justification of Request

The FY 2013 request of \$202.6 million for PAT is a net increase of \$3.49 million over the FY 2012 Estimate level. The request factors in a decrease of \$1 million to curb administrative spending for costs associated with the travel and transportation of persons and things, and advisory contracts. This is offset by increases due to rising costs associated with fuel, airfares, and per diems to support the Department's increased staff.

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	Positions					Funds (\$ in thousands)		
	American				Pos	Bureau	American	Funds
	CS	FS Dom	Overseas	FSN	Total	Managed	Salaries	Total
FY 2011 Actual	0	0	0	0	0	171,049	0	171,049
FY 2012 Estimate	0	0	0	0	0	199,065	0	199,065
FY 2013 Built-in Changes								
Administrative Savings	0	0	0	0	0	(1,013)	0	(1,013)
American COLA	0	0	0	0	0	111	0	111
Domestic Inflation	0	0	0	0	0	928	0	928
Overseas Price Inflation	0	0	0	0	0	3,465	0	3,465
Total Built-in Changes	0	0	0	0	0	3,491	0	3,491
FY 2013 Current Services	0	0	0	0	0	202,556	0	202,556
FY 2013 Request	0	0	0	0	0	202,556	0	202,556

Funds by Program Activity

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Program Activities

Department Of State	Positions				Funds (\$ in thousands)		
	American			Pos	Bureau	American	Funds
	Domestic	Overseas	FSN	Total	Managed	Salaries	Total
Post Assignment Travel	0	0	0	0	202,556	0	202,556
Total	0	0	0	0	202,556	0	202,556

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Funds by Domestic Organization Unit

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Post Assignment Travel	FY 2011 Actual	FY 2012 Estimate	FY 2013 Request	Increase / Decrease
Post Assignment Travel	171,049	199,065	202,556	3,491
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Funds by Object Class

(\$ in thousands)

Post Assignment Travel	FY 2011 Actual	FY 2012 Estimate	FY 2013 Request	Increase / Decrease
1200 Personnel Benefits	12,151	13,935	14,179	244
2100 Travel & Trans of Persons	43,397	50,549	52,042	1,493
2200 Transportation of Things	91,198	106,237	107,256	1,019
2300 Rents, Comm & Utilities	13,887	16,177	17,010	833
2500 Other Services	10,416	12,167	12,069	(98)
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