

Deputy Secretary

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Education and Employment – Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Secretary

I am writing in relation to the Education and Employment Senate Estimates – Legislation Committee's Hearing of 1 March 2018.

I wish to clarify testimony related to the budget and expenditure associated with the Australian Apprenticeships Management System (AAMS) - pages 72 to 74 of Hansard refers.

Budget

The total budget for the AAMS project is \$19.6 million. \$9.569 million was provided in the 2012-13 Budget measure 'Australian Apprenticeships Information System- establishment'. An additional \$10.001 million was provided in the 2014-15 Portfolio Additional Estimates.

Expenditure

As at 28 February 2018 the total project expenditure was \$18.0 million. This is made up of:

- Expenditure incurred by the Department of Education and Training of \$15.1 million.
 This includes \$12.9 million of direct project costs, and two further costs that were not originally identified as being recorded against AAMS project expenditure. These amounts are for an invoice for additional software licences (\$2.0 million) and project supporting costs (\$0.25 million)
- Expenditure incurred by the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science of \$2.9 million.

I would appreciate it if you could draw this to the attention of the committee.

Yours sincerely

Subho Banerjee

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