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Mrs Lucy Wicks MP Chair Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit By email: jcpaa@aph.gov.au

Dear Mrs Wicks

Australian National Audit Office response to the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit Report 476 - Australian Government Funding

I am writing in relation to the recommendation directed to the Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) contained in the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit (JCPAA) Report 476, *Australian Government Funding*.

Recommendation 7: The Committee recommends that the Auditor-General consider conducting a follow-up audit of the monitoring arrangements for Australian Government school funding by the Department of Education and Training. Such an audit might also focus on the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee in this report and Audit Report No. 18.

ANAO Response:

The ANAO's Annual Audit Work Program 2019–20 includes a potential audit topic <u>Monitoring the impact of Australian Government school funding</u>— <u>follow-up</u>. This audit, if commenced, would follow up on the Department of Education's implementation of recommendations made in Auditor-General Report No. 18 of 2017–18, <u>Monitoring the Impact of Australian Government School Funding</u> and JCPAA Report 476.

Yours sincerely

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