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ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Outcome: National Disability Insurance Agency

Question No: NDIA SQ17-000196

Topic: Nadia expenditure and budget

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Senator Siewert asked:

Senator SIEWERT: How much have you spent so far and how much you are budgeting to spend to get Nadia ready for when the system comes online through the pilots process?

Mr De Luca: We will take on notice the first question, on how much we've spent to date. Going forward, the logic of why we pilot and test things is to help inform us of how much we need to spend and the resources we need to fully implement things. So until we've tested and piloted some things we don't know exactly the total cost of it.

Senator SIEWERT: That's not the question I actually asked. The question I asked was how much do you anticipate spending on the system to make it functional for the pilot system?

Mr De Luca: I can't answer that one I'll take it on notice

Senator SIEWERT: Have you got, then, an envelope for how much you anticipate the whole process will cost? I've heard what you said; you don't need to repeat it. You must, for budgeting purposes, have a bottom line for how much you would expect to be spending on the system.

Mr De Luca: On Nadia system itself?

Senator SIEWERT: Yes.

Mr De Luca: Again, can I take that on notice. That will be a discussion we have with DHS in terms of the resourcing requirements from their end as well.

Answer:

The National Disability Insurance Agency's spend on Nadia from August 2015 has been \$4.5 million and includes: human resources, academia, vendor and technology partner services.

The anticipated costs for the development of Nadia going forward will be determined in consultation with the Department of Human Services following the progressive testing and piloting of Nadia as part of the pathway work over the remainder of the financial year