

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2011-12 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 6

**Question No:** 257

**Topic:** Election Commitments

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**Senator Cash** asked:

What election commitments were made in relation to the Office for Women at the 2007 Federal Election?

What is the status of each of those election commitments?

Which election commitments are experiencing slippages? Why? And where relevant, what are the revised implementation dates? What are the implications of this slippage?

**Answer:**

National Rural Women's Summit	June 2009
National Plan to Prevent Violence Against Women and Children – develop plan	National Council's plan released March 2009.
Ratifying the Optional Protocol to United Nations Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women	Australia acceded to the Optional Protocol 4 December 2008. It entered into force (for Australia) on 4 March 2009.