

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018**

**Outcome: Higher Education Research and International**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000730**

Senator Carr, Kim provided in writing.

***National Innovation and Science Agenda - Research Infrastructure Investment Plan - development***

**Question**

In regards to the budget measure, National Innovation and Science Agenda - Research Infrastructure Investment Plan - development:

- a) The development of the plan will be met within existing resources from the Department of Education and Training (DET). Which resources?
- b) What is the timeline for the development of the plan?
- c) What groups have been set up to help guide the development of the plan?
- d) What Departments are represented on these groups?
- e) Are DET portfolio agencies involved or represented in these groups?

**Answer**

- a) The development the Research Infrastructure Investment Plan (RIIP) will be met using existing departmental resources.
- b) The RIIP will be developed over the next twelve months.
- c) The Department of Education and Training will consult with the Commonwealth Science Council, Innovation and Science Australia and other stakeholders including universities, researcher institutes, research infrastructure operators, state and territory governments and Australian Government department and agencies with responsibility for national research infrastructure including the Australian Research Council, the National Health and Medical Research Council and publicly funded research agencies.
- d) See response to (c).
- e) See response to (c).