

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

**Outcome: Higher Education Research and International**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000638**

Senator Kim Carr asked on 21 October 2015, Proof Hansard page 43

***Nous Contract - Collecting Views***

**Question**

Senator KIM CARR: He was collecting views?

Ms Paul: To be precise.

Senator KIM CARR: How did he collect views? He said, 'Have you got any views?' did he?

Ms Paul: We have taken on notice, I think, the people he has spoken to. If you wish, we could take on notice and ask *Nous* the manner in which those conversations were conducted.

Senator KIM CARR: Yes.

Ms Paul: If you wish, but we would have to ask them.

**Answer**

Mr Griew has advised that he first emailed stakeholders, and then had his office approach them, seeking meetings to discuss their views on issues in higher education, possible approaches to reform to address those issues and drawbacks with any of those reform possibilities. Mr Griew met in person or had phone conferences with those available.