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**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Senator Rachel Siewert

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**Question:**

Senator SIEWERT: Only those eight where the recommendation was not—

Ms Carroll: The only other ones were ones that were not part of the grant process per se; they were the demand driven applications. As well as the grant process, which was picking up the majority, obviously a number of the demand driven applications were still occurring. It is not that the minister made a different decision. I wanted to be clear that there were other approvals the minister made during that time.

Senator SIEWERT: Are they included in this list of the IAS round?

Ms Black: No.

Senator SIEWERT: No, I did not think they were. Can we have a list of those?

Ms Carroll: Yes we can provide that on notice.

**Answer:**

There were nil instances identified by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet where the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion, approved grants outside of the IAS round which the Department recommended be rejected.