

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

**Group 2**

**Program 1.3**

**Question No. 122**

**Senator Wright asked the following question at the hearing on 24 February 2014:**

What submissions did the Minerals Council of Australia, the Minerals Council of New South Wales or any organisation or person who represents the interests of the mining sector make to the federal government to support the withdrawal of funding from Environmental Defenders Offices, as was announced in the Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook in December 2013?

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

A letter from the NSW Minerals Council dated 11 October 2013 was received by the Attorney-General.