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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL

TOPIC: Promotion of Grantees Work

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Fielding

QUESTION No. BI-114

Do Research Council grantees have the right to promote their work using the Australian coat of arms together with text reading "Australian Government-Australian Research Council" and then "this research was supported under Australian Research Council's Discovery Project Funding Scheme" (see the use of the Coat of Arms and text at <http://www.thepornreportbook.com/img/arc.gif>)? Does the Department agree that it appears as though the report has the full endorsement of the Government as well as the ARC?

ANSWER

Australian Research Council (ARC) Funding Agreements require that any ARC contribution to research and other activities be appropriately acknowledged.

When, at any time during or after completion of a project, the researcher or any other party publishes or produces material such as books, articles, newsletters or other literary or artistic works which relate to the research project, the Administering Organisation must ensure (wherever possible) that the ARC's contribution and support of the project is acknowledged in a prominent place and in an appropriate form. The acknowledgement should include the mention of the ARC as a funding body. Wherever possible, the ARC logo should be included with acknowledgements of ARC funding.

Researchers and/or institutions should use their discretion in adapting one of the examples of acceptable forms of acknowledgement of ARC funding listed at http://www.arc.gov.au/about_arc/acknowledgementform.htm.

In publicising the ARC's funding support, researchers and other parties should, however, ensure that the publication does not lead the audience to believe that any particular views or messages being conveyed are those held by the ARC (unless the ARC has formally endorsed such views/messages).

In cases where the material or publication contains a message or view which could possibly be interpreted as being that of the ARC, and which has not been officially endorsed by the ARC as such, it is recommended that the following form of attribution is adapted as appropriate:

"This research was supported under the Australian Research Council's *Discovery Projects* funding scheme (project DP0XXXXX). The views expressed herein are those of the authors and are not necessarily those of the Australian Research Council."