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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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TOPIC: Business Enterprise Centre Funding

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QUESTION No. BI-47

The Minister has indicated 36 Business Enterprise Centres (BECs) will receive between \$100,000 and \$350,000 a year. On what basis has the exact yearly grant been calculated for each BEC?

ANSWER

The decision in the 2008-09 Budget to fund 36 BECs reflects a commitment developed and announced, by the then Opposition, prior to the 2007 Election.