Senate Standing Committee on Economics ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question No: BET 171

Topic: Discretionary Grants

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Senator Bushby asked:

Could the Department provide a list of all discretionary grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants since February Estimates 2011? Please provide details of the recipients, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.

Has the Department complied with interim requirements relating to the publication of discretionary grants?

Answer:

Please refer to the Department of Treasury's web-site for disclosure of individual grants.

With the exception of one payment, the Department has complied with the requirements relating to the publication of grants.

A payment to the Singapore Cooperation Enterprise made in May 2011 was originally treated as a procurement item, however an end of financial year review process identified this transaction as a grant. Information relating to this payment was published on the Treasury website on 6 July 2011.