

Senate Standing Committee on Economics
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Tourism and Resources Portfolio
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2006-2007, 1 November 2006

QUESTION No.SI-65

Senator Carr asked about:

Has the Department or Minister received a briefing from the NMF?

ANSWER

The Department attended and provided a briefing on the Industry Statement to an NMF session held in Canberra and was apprised of the views of the NMF at that time.

In addition the Minister met with the Chair of the NMF and has a copy of the report "Strategic Actions to Boost Australian Manufacturing."

The Department has briefed directly officials of most states as the consultations have taken place.

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Senator Carr asked:

What was the agenda and outcomes of this briefing?

ANSWER

The meeting was a broad discussion. The Minister was informed of what the NMF was hoping to achieve with their report. The Minister also outlined the Industry Statement process.