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Outcome: 1
Output Group: ARC

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Senator Carr asked on 18 February 2004, EWRE Hansard pp. 39.

Question:

What was the cost of that - \$70,000?

So \$70,000 is not too far from the mark then?

Answer:

Cost of ARC-commissioned reports

The ARC has provided the following response:

A single contract was used for two reports prepared for the ARC by The Allen Consulting Group: *A Wealth of Knowledge: the return on investment from ARC-funded research* and *The ARC's Implementation of Government Decisions from Knowledge and Innovation and Backing Australia's Ability*. The costs for each report were as follows:

A Wealth of Knowledge: the return on investment from ARC-funded research:

- \$165,000 for preparation of the final report
- \$14,829 for 1000 printed copies of the report (including delivery to Canberra)
- Total \$179,829

The ARC's Implementation of Government Decisions from Knowledge and Innovation and Backing Australia's Ability:

- \$45,000 for preparation of the final report
- \$4,191 for 500 printed copies of the report.
- Total \$49,191