

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** CSIRO  
**Output Group:** CSIRO

#### DEST Question No. E599\_05

Senator Carr provided in writing.

#### **Question:**

- a) Was Dr Phillips chosen to attend a Harvard management course during 2004?
- b) What were the dates, duration of the course and the total cost of his attendance?
- c) How long after his return was his employment terminated?

#### **Answer:**

CSIRO has provided the following response.

*Dr Neil Phillips*

- a) Dr Phillips was chosen to attend the Advanced Management Program at Harvard in Boston in 2004, continuing a long tradition of CSIRO Chiefs participating in the program as part of their development. The course had proved valuable in providing a broad understanding of the latest management systems and strategies as well as exposure to a network of senior managers in a range of other organisations.
- b) The program commenced on 30 March 2004 and concluded on 27 May 2004. The total cost of Dr Phillips' attendance was \$A82,416 and this was paid by CSIRO's Exploration and Mining Division.
- c) Dr Phillips' position as Chief of CSIRO Exploration and Mining was terminated four months after his return from Harvard.