

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

**Outcome:** 2.

**Output Group:** 2.4 – Funding for Higher Education

#### **DEST Question No. E670\_05**

Senator Crossin provided in writing.

#### **Question:**

Back in June last year (EWRE June 3<sup>rd</sup> Pg 88) I asked some questions about Batchelor Institute for Indigenous Tertiary Education. They had been given \$0.5m for the development of a strategic plan. Has this been completed yet?

#### **Answer:**

##### *Batchelor Institute for Indigenous Tertiary Education*

The funding of \$0.5 million divided equally between the Batchelor Institute for Indigenous Tertiary Education and Charles Darwin University was not provided for the development of a strategic plan but for a project entitled:

“Developing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Charles Darwin University and the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education to enrich Indigenous tertiary education in the Northern Territory.”

The development of the MOU is the strategy for achieving key project outcomes. Potential areas for collaboration that may be covered in the MOU could include planning service delivery, Indigenous support services, improving student learning outcomes and outreach programs.

The final Memorandum of Understanding is due on 30 April 2005.