

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: 1

Output Group: 1.2 – Assistance to individuals including those with special needs.

DEST Question No. E698_05

Senator Aden Ridgeway provided in writing.

Question:

What financial contribution is the Nyangatjatjara Corporation supposed to be making to the school?

Answer:

Nyangatjatjara Corporation

Nyangatjatjara Aboriginal Corporation is not required to make direct financial contributions to Nyangatjatjara College under the terms of its Agreement for the General Recurrent Grant entitlements or its Indigenous Education Agreement.

From 2005, Section 11D of the *Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Act 2000* (the Act) will require all providers with funding agreements made under Section 10 of the Act to report to the Commonwealth on their use of "Other Funds" (if any) to advance the objects of the Act. "Other Funds" means funding from sources other than Commonwealth funding provided under the Act or Commonwealth funding for schools, training or related purposes.

Under its contract for capital works, the Corporation has agreed to meet the monetary costs of any cost escalation encountered over the course of the agreement that exceeds the amount of the Commonwealth contribution.

Aboriginal Hostels Limited advises that it would be unusual for a contribution from the funded organisation to be factored in to an AHL Community Hostels Grants Program recurrent budget.