EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 3

Output Group: 3.2 – Assistance for science collaboration and innovation.

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Senator Stott Despoja provided in writing.

Question:

What impact has the lack of a Chief Scientist had on the government's understanding and consideration of issues in science? Where is the government currently obtaining advice on science, technology and innovation issues?

Answer:

Advice from the Chief Scientist

The Government has continued to receive advice from learned academies, Government science agencies, Government departments, the Chairs of specialist committees, and members of the Prime Minister's Science, Engineering and Innovation Council, besides other sources.