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E832_06	Science	written	Stott Despoja	<i>Financial viability of the Anglo-Australian Telescope (AAT):</i> What effect will the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Anglo-Australian Telescope have on the Anglo-Australian Telescope Board's (AATB) budget and functioning?
E833_06	Science	written	Stott Despoja	<i>Supplementation of income for Anglo-Australian Telescope:</i> Forward budget estimates show the government will contribute \$4.594 million in 2005/06 rising to \$4.903 million in 2008/09, while the UK's contribution will decrease to \$2 million in 2006/7 and \$1 million in the subsequent years. This is estimated as a funding shortfall of \$11 million. How will the AATB supplement its income? Will the government commit to making up this funding shortfall?
E834_06	Science	written	Stott Despoja	<i>Competitive grant funding for the Anglo-Australian Telescope:</i> The National Interest Analysis of the Anglo-Australian Telescope Agreement Amendment 2005 Bill suggested the AATB may top up its funding through competitive grants from the Australian Research Council.[1] Given that the Anglo-Australian Observatory (AAO) is ineligible for ARC funding because it is not an educational institution, how will the AAO access this kind of funding? [1] Report 68: Review of Treaties tabled on 7 December 2004 (5) and Treaties tabled on 9 August 2005.
E835_06	Science	written	Stott Despoja	<i>Funding for the Anglo-Australian Telescope beyond 2010:</i> Will the Anglo-Australian Telescope be funded by the government beyond 2010?
E836_06	Science	64	Crossin	<i>Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Facility:</i> I do not remember seeing a breakdown of figures. Can you take on notice and provide for me a breakdown of the \$182,000? I am particularly interested to know how much has been spent on the advertising and promotion component of that.
E837_06	Science	69	Wong	<i>Recruitment of Chief Scientist – Shortlist:</i> Did DEST forward any names for consideration to the previous minister? When did that occur? Can I ask how many people were on that list?
E838_06	Science	70	Wong	<i>Interview Panel for Chief Scientist:</i> At whose request was Minister Nelson's chief of staff on the interview panel?
E839_06	ARC	5	Stephens	<i>ARC Quality and Scrutiny Committee:</i> You said that the board put forward names for the community representatives. How many were nominated?
E840_06	ARC	5	Wong	<i>ARC Quality and Scrutiny Committee:</i> Did the minister's office request that any particular name be considered by the board? Prof. Hoj—We on this side of the table are debating whether the word 'request' or 'suggestion' is the right word. I believe 'suggestion' is the right word. Can you tell me in relation to whom the suggestion was made? Perhaps then, also to clarify, could you take on notice whether the three eventual community members of the committee were amongst those in relation to whom a suggestion was made by the minister's office?
E841_06	ARC	9	Stephens	<i>ARC Board:</i> Can you tell us then, if you are not able to give us the reasons for their resignations, when exactly those three members resigned?
E842_06	ARC	10	Stephens	<i>Research Quality Framework:</i> Are you still on the expert advisory group?
E843_06	ARC	10	Stephens	<i>ARC Funding Proposals:</i> Has the minister changed the recommendations for funding of projects—for example, the level of funding that might go to a project, what was applied for and what was actually granted?

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E844_06	HEG	79	Wong	<i>Medical courses and fees:</i> Given that you track that data, could you provide me with a list of all medical courses in Australia by university and, for each course, the length of the degree, the full fee rate per year and the Commonwealth supported rate per year and therefore the total cost of the degree, which I presume is a multiplication—with the proviso that you have indicated—and the number of students commencing in the years from 1996 to 2006. Mr Manns—I did want to just clarify part of the question—thank you, Senator—and that is that we will give it to you as reported by the universities on the Going to Uni website. [attachment]
E845_06	HEG	85	Wong	<i>University of Ballarat AWAs:</i> Was that done through your section or was that check with Clayton Utz, or was it both? Dr Perkins—I would just have to check on the AWAs. I know we saw the EBA but I am not sure about the AWA templates so we will just have to take it on notice.
E846_06	HEG	85	Wong	<i>University of Ballarat AWAs:</i> When the advice was provided, what was the nature of the advice provided by DEST— just compliance and non-compliance? I actually do want to come to that point; I think it is an important issue. But, finally, Dr Perkins or Ms Baly, did DEST see a copy of the AWAs before they were offered to university staff?
E847_06	HEG	95	Wong	<i>Reallocation of Commonwealth Supported Places – Central Queensland University:</i> Were those EFTSLs allocated to particular faculties or courses? Can the 490 be disaggregated into X number of this or that?
E848_06	HEG	95	Wong	<i>Reallocation of Commonwealth Supported Places:</i> Obviously, then, within the same funding envelope, the University of Queensland could have had, say, 60 pipeline commencing medical places? Were there any medical places in the list you just outlined? I heard allied health. So no university made a request for medical places?
E849_06	HEG	96	Wong	<b>Amended:</b> <i>Reallocation of Commonwealth Supported Places:</i> I understand that, and we have had a discussion about that. I was just wondering why it is that when the extra places were available, given the priority that has been accorded to medical places, that was not considered. Mr Manns—You would have noticed as I went down the list that they were almost all in nursing, education, allied health and engineering, which are also equally areas in which there are skills shortages and in which there is high demand. But I am happy to take it on notice to have a look and see whether any medical places were bid for.
E850_06	HEG	96	Wong	<i>Reallocation of Commonwealth Supported Places – Charles Darwin University:</i> Mr Manns - Charles Darwin University requested that the pipeline of the growth places it was due to receive in 2006 be deferred for a year. Wong - Was that due to softening demand? In which faculties or disciplines?
E851_06	HEG	96	Wong	<i>2006 Cluster Shifts:</i> You obviously have all that information there. I do not want to go through it all, but are you able to provide that information on notice—that is, the details of the shifts in places for the 2006 year, which includes CQU and Charles Sturt, was it?
E852_06	HEG	97	Wong	<i>Student Contributions above pre-2005 HECS rates:</i> You gave Senator Carr an answer to question on notice E833_05 in relation to those persons affected by increased HECS fees. It was E833_05. Could you, on notice, take this question: I would

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				like an updated version of both the tables in that answer to date? [Refer also E833_05]
E853_06	ARC	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>ARC Quality and Scrutiny Committee:</i> What are the terms of reference for the Australian Research Council's Quality and Scrutiny Committee? What is the role of the Quality and Scrutiny Committee? Who are the members of the Quality and Scrutiny Committee and by what criteria were they chosen? How does the Quality and Scrutiny Committee work in relation to the peer review process? How much weighting does peer review have in determining grants allocation?
E854_06	IRSG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Enhancing Governance arrangements – Australian Research Council:</i> When will the legislation to enact the “retirement” of the ARC Board be introduced? Did the government consult with key groups or seek feedback on the “retiring” of the ARC Board before this decision was made? The former Minister for Education, Science and Training stated in a media release announcing the new governance arrangement for the ARC that “the revised arrangements will retain the ARC’s independence.” (Enhancing Governance arrangements – Australian Research Council 15/7/05)
E855_06	ANSTO	13	Stephens	<i>Radioactive Waste Management:</i> Dr Cameron, you say that you are undertaking an inventory at the moment. When do you hope to have that complete?
E856_06	ANSTO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>OPAL Reactor:</i> According to the ANSTO website, the start of the commissioning of the new Lucas Heights Replacement Research Reactor was scheduled to happen in December 2005. Has the commissioning of the new reactor started? If not, what has caused the delay and what impact will this delay have?
E857_06	ANSTO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>OPAL Reactor:</i> The ANSTO 2004/05 annual report states “As reported to the minister, full power operation has been delayed by six months, and minor cost escalation has occurred due to externally driven factors.” Given the new reactor is scheduled to reach full power in August 2006, but there is an apparent delay, when will the new reactor reach full power?
E858_06	ANSTO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>OPAL Reactor:</i> Please provide details on the cause of the six month delay.
E859_06	ANSTO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>OPAL Reactor:</i> What impact on the production of radiopharmaceuticals and radioisotopes and other functions of the reactor will be caused by a delay in its reaching full power?
E860_06	ANSTO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>OPAL Reactor:</i> Please provide details on the “minor cost escalation”?
E861_06	ANSTO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>OPAL Reactor:</i> Is the budget of \$286.4 million (1997 value) for the replacement reactor still correct? If not, what is the new budget figure?
E862_06	ANSTO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>OPAL Reactor:</i> What are the externally driven factors that have caused the “cost escalation”? [refer E860_05]
E863_06	ANSTO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>OPAL Reactor:</i> Has ANSTO completed its review of the two compensation claims brought against it by the main contractor for the Replacement Research Reactor? If so, what is the result of this review?
E864_06	Schools groups	71	Wong	<i>IOSP IT staff:</i> So what proportion of the staff are IT? I am happy for you to take it on notice. What data do you have about these staff? I am interested in knowing what they do.

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E865_06	Schools groups	113	Wong	<i>SES Funding Arrangements:</i> Senator Carr asked question on notice E815_05. Would it be possible to have the answer updated on notice in the same categories as are there? [Senator Carr asked how many Catholic and Independent schools (excluding special schools) will not be funded through the SES model form 2005-08? Please provide a breakdown by year and sector.]
E866_06	Schools groups	116	Wong	<i>SES funding model:</i> You gave me one component, which is the larger component, which is Catholic maintained. Are you able on notice to provide me with that data on a state and territory basis, or do you not compile data in that way?
E867_06	Schools groups	117	Wong	<i>Funding Maintained Independent Schools:</i> Senator WONG—I now turn to E132_05. There was a difference between the E815 answer we have just been discussing, which indicated 208 independent funding maintained schools, and E132_05, which was 226, so there was a difference of 18 schools. On notice, could you give us an indication as to what has occurred in regard to those 18 schools? [Refer also E132_05 and E815_05]
E868_06	Schools groups	118	Wong	<i>Non-government schools fee income data between 2003 and 2004:</i> Are you able to provide, at least in that aggregate sense, what proportion did reduce or increase their fee income between the last two censuses?
E869_06	Schools groups	118	Wong	<i>Non-government schools staffing data between 2003 and 2004 and 2005 (?):</i> I would be interested in what proportion has actually increased their staffing numbers.
E870_06	Schools groups	119	Wong	<i>Non-government schools 2005 teacher/student data:</i> Do you have the number of teachers and the number of students in any institution.
E871_06	Schools groups	122	Crossin	<i>Investing in Our Schools Programme:</i> What is the average payment that has been made to schools to date?
E872_06	Schools groups	124	Wong	<i>Update of E599_06 – provision of data in Excel format:</i> Senator WONG—Still on schools, the question on notice E599-06—which was the schools data question—was provided in a PDF format. You have previously provided that in an Excel format. The answer said that you were wanting to ensure that the integrity of the data set was maintained. I accept that in terms of what is on the website, but in terms of its use by senators there is a benefit to us in having the Excel format because it does enable us to interrogate the data differently. Would you be willing to provide that in Excel format for the use of the committee? [see E599_06 (supplementary) for attachments and see also E1001_06]
E873_06	Schools groups	125	Wong	<i>Dr Kevin Donnelly:</i> Can you advise me on what date the department first become aware that its consultant on the research project National Mapping of Gender Specific and Gender Relation Curricula was to be employed as chief of staff to a federal minister?
E874_06	Schools groups	125	Wong	<i>Dr Kevin Donnelly:</i> Is there documentation to show us that there was active consideration of the appropriateness of transferring or reassigning the contract to Mrs Donnelly?
E875_06	Schools groups	126	Wong	<i>Dr Kevin Donnelly:</i> Is there documentation to show us that there was active consideration of the appropriateness of transferring or reassigning the contract to Mrs Donnelly?
E876_06	Schools groups	126	Wong	<i>Dr Kevin Donnelly:</i> Was there consideration of any other person for reassignment of the contract?

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E877_06	Schools groups	126	Wong	<i>Dr Kevin Donnelly:</i> Was the advice of the transfer to Mrs Donnelly of the contract also in that letter?
E878_06	Schools groups	126	Wong	<i>Donnelly contract:</i> Could you take that on notice. I would also ask for provision of a copy of those documents, on notice.
E879_06	Schools groups	127	Wong	<i>Dr Kevin Donnelly:</i> Could you take on notice whether any active inquiries were made as to whether or not Dr Donnelly continued his involvement.
E880_06	Schools groups	133	Crossin	<i>Proposed Fees:</i> Have you an idea of what fees have been suggested for those 17 technical colleges?
E881_06	Schools groups	133	Crossin	<i>Scholarship Programs:</i> Senator CROSSIN—How many of that 17 have scholarship programs proposed? Ms McDonald—I could not tell you that. We have signed agreements with seven of them. Of the remaining 12, including one government school, we are still negotiating the details. Senator CROSSIN—Can you take that on notice? Ms McDonald—I can tell you for the seven that we have signed agreements with, yes.
E882_06	Schools groups	135	Wong	<i>Australian Technical Colleges funding commitment and expenditure to date:</i> Public money has already been paid to the ATCs. Can you provide what has been committed and spent so far?
E883_06	SAEG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Rent Assistance for Austudy:</i> The Student Income Support Inquiry which reported back in June 2005 recommended “that Rent Assistance be made available for all recipients of Au study, but not before a costing is undertaken by the Department of Education, Science and Training. The committee recommends that the costing be completed before the end of 2005 and reported to the Parliament.” Given that the committee recommended the Department of Education, Science and Training complete the costing process before the end of 2005, how is this recommendation progressing? When will Rent Assistance being made available for all recipients of Austudy?
E884_06	SAEG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Review of performance of student income support system:</i> Student Income Support Inquiry also recommended “the Government commission an independent expert panel to review the performance and effectiveness of the student income support system.” Please provide details of the progress of this review.
E885_06	SAEG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>University and Benefactor funded scholarships:</i> The committee also recommended “that the Department of Education, Science and Training undertake an analysis of the costs and benefits associated with exempting university-funded scholarships and scholarships funded by benefactors and philanthropists from the social security personal income test.” What is the progress of this recommendation?
E886_06	SAEG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Students in poverty:</i> Please provide the most recent statistics on the number of students living below the poverty line.
E887_06	SAEG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Take up rates for Austudy:</i> Please provide current figures on the take up rates of Austudy.
E888_06	IRSG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Research Quality Framework:</i> Can the Minister for Education advise if the Research Quality Framework (RQF) is still on target to proceed in 2007? [refer to E889_06]
E889_06	IRSG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Research Quality Framework:</i> Given that the Expert Advisory Group’s recommendation on the preferred model of the RQF went to former Education Minister Nelson in December 2005, and that the Minister was expected to respond to the advice in early 2006, when will this happen? What steps will follow this?

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E890_06	IRSG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Research Quality Framework</i> : How much money has the government budgeted for the implementation of the RQF?
E891_06	IRSG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Research Quality Framework (RQF)</i> : What will be the compliance costs for universities due to implementation of the RQF? Will universities be compensated for these compliance costs?
E892_06	HEG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Implementation of Voluntary student Unionism</i> : The former Minister for Education pledged \$80 million dollars in funding as a transition fund for maintenance and construction of sporting and recreation facilities. What is the eligibility criteria for these funds? If the eligibility criteria has not yet been determined, when will it be determined? Which universities are being consulted to determine eligibility criteria? The former Minister for Education also pledged "access to appropriate financial management and accounting bodies to assist with business plans, asset and financial restructuring where this may be necessary and is requested;" (media release- Implementing Voluntary Student Unionism- 12/12/05) Have there been requests for this assistance? How is the government providing these services? How much has the government budgeted for these services? When will the tender process to choose an organisation to conduct an independent assessment of the impact of VSU commence?
E893_06	HEG	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Student numbers</i> : What are the current enrolment levels for all public universities? How does this compare to past years? What are the enrolment figures for the following specified equity groups: people from a non-English speaking background; people with disabilities; people from rural or isolated areas; women in non-traditional areas of study; people from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds?
E894_06/ E1093_06	CSG	Written	Wong	<i>Staffing Numbers, Salaries and Performance Pay</i> : I wonder if you could update the previous advice to the committee relating to the number of staff employed by DEST—this is clearly on notice—by output; Public Service pay scales, including salary ranges; and also the number who received performance pay or bonuses.
E895_06	CSG	72	Wong	<i>Consent to publish photos</i> : Did the department check whether consent had been given for the photos that have been placed on the ministerial website which involve quite a number of members of the public?
E896_06	CSG	72	Wong	<i>Set up costs for Minister Bishop's office</i> : Let me know what costs there were for DEST.

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E897_06	SAEG	72-73	Wong	<p><i>Reviews undertaken by the Department:</i> Do you track internally the number of reviews that the department undertakes, either internally or commissioned to an external consultant? —Any sorts of reviews on policy. Ms Paul—Like an evaluation, that sort of thing? Senator WONG—What about studies and surveys? Are they tracked as well? Are you therefore able to provide on notice a list of those under the previous minister, Minister Nelson? I am asking for a number of years under Minister Nelson and, if possible, under Minister Kemp. I am interested in not just the external consultancies but also internal reviews, surveys and studies, which would not be tracked separately. I understand that you track them yourselves but they would not necessarily be separately identified in the annual report as an external consultant. Let us start with policy evaluations. Also reviews—is there a broad term? In relation to each, could I get the dates of announcement, commencement and completion, with, if possible, the total cost. I am not sure. Would you track that in terms of an internal review? I think you indicated you did keep track of the number of reviews, studies and surveys. What I am asking for is the dates of announcement, commencement and completion, the total cost of each item—and I think you indicated that that may be more difficult to obtain with internal reviews etc. cetera— Ms Paul—What I offered is that we will have a look at what we do have. We will get the details of what you are after and then look at way we keep the records and provide what we can, back to the years you want, internal and external. Senator WONG—I am going to give you a few more parameters: the organisation which was commissioned, if the matter was outsourced; recommendations which were made; and, perhaps more importantly, those recommendations which were adopted by the government.</p>
E898_06	VET	101	Crossin	<p><i>Tools For Your Trade – tool kit:</i> (a) With regard to your answer to a question that Senator Wong asked, E796_06, I take it from your answer that that would now need to be corrected. Is that right? (b) The \$176 per new apprenticeship fee is being paid to MAS Administration Services, not in addition to the \$800 tool kit. Is that correct? The \$800 tool kit is going to another company.</p>
E899_06	VET	106-107	Wong	<p><i>Institute for Trade Skill Excellence:</i> Can I ask for a copy of the draft constitution and any subsequent iterations?</p>
E900_06	VET	107	Wong	<p><i>The Institute for Trade Skill Excellence:</i> How many meetings of the shareholders have there been at which Professor Rod McDonald was present? When was the one meeting?</p>
E901_06	VET	112	Wong	<p><i>TYIMS (Training and Youth Internet Management System):</i> Does TYIMS separately identify apprentices contracted under this visa category? That has not been implemented yet? Are you able to tell me when that occurred?</p>
E902_06	VET	Written	Wong	<p><i>Tools For Your Trade – Additional Funding:</i> Agency Additional Estimates Statements - Tools for Your Trade, additional funding \$3,940,000 in 2005-06. (a) What are the reasons for in this increased in funding? (b) If as a result of increased demand, how many extra apprentices? (c) How many apprentices does DEST expect to be eligible for the toolkit in each year across the forward estimates? (d) How does this compare to original projections?</p>

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E903_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Woolworth's Training Package:</i> (a) Why are the details of the Woolworth's training package confidential on the National Training Information System website? (b) When was the Woolworth's training package implanted? For each year since the Woolworth's training package was implemented: (c) How many New Apprentices have (i) commenced (ii) completed their training in a qualification from that training package? (d) What is total value of New Apprentice Incentive Payments for qualifications under that training package?
E904_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Commonwealth Trade Learning Scholarship:</i> How many apprentices have received a Commonwealth Trade Learning Scholarship? Please break this information down by State/Territory.
E905_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>ACCI Project – Addressing Workplace Barriers to Training:</i> Answer to question E448_06, stated that: "DEST has agreed to fund ACCI to deliver a new project. The new project will address industrial relations barriers to the take-up of New Apprenticeships. Funding was contingent upon the development and acceptance by DEST of a satisfactory project plan and negotiation of a funding contract. Total funding for this project is \$100,000 in 2005-06." (a) Was this project subject to a tender process? If not, why not? (b) What is the scope of this project? What matters will be investigated? (c) What is the final value and length of the contract? (d) When is the report due to be handed to DEST?
E906_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>VET Priority Places:</i> How many participants received, or are receiving, training under the VET Priority Places Program? Please breakdown by State/Territory.
E907_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Tools For Your Trade:</i> Please provide a complete list of the eligible qualifications in which an apprentice must be enrolled in order to be eligible for the Tools For Your Trade initiative.
E908_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Wage Cost Index One and Wage Cost Index Six rates for 2005 and 2006:</i> In answer to Question No. E808_06, DEST advised that "the indexation rates used in the forward estimates for the Skilling Australia's Workforce Act 2005 are Wage Cost Index One for Recurrent funding and Wage Cost Index Six for Capital funding." What is the proportion, and dollar value, of the total funding indexed at; Wage Cost Index One (recurrent funding) and Wage Cost Index Six (capital funding). What were these index rates in 2005 and 2006?
E909_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Funding Allocation Process for the Joint Indigenous Funding Pool:</i> What is the process, including time frame, for allocation of the Joint Indigenous Funding Pool, to be established under the 2005-08 Commonwealth-State Agreement for Skilling Australia's Workforce?
E910_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Tools For Your Trade:</i> (a) What is the legal and trading name of the company with which the Federal Government has contracted to deliver the Tools for Your Trade initiative? Is the \$176 'per New Apprentice Fee' payable to this company paid in addition to the \$800 value of the toolbox? (b) During the hearings, Mr Johnson stated that "\$176 per apprenticeship and that is broken down to a number of specific payments identified in the contract". What is the amount and purpose of these specific payments?



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E911_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Commonwealth – State agreements made under the "Skilling Australia's Workforce Act":</i> (a) Is the Commonwealth-State Skilling Australia's Workforce agreement required to be tabled in the Parliament? (b) i) On what date was the agreement signed? ii) Has the agreement been tabled, if so when? If not, why not? (c) Do the individual bilateral Commonwealth-State agreements made under the Skilling Australia's Workforce Act need to be tabled in the Parliament?
E912_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Resource Implications of COAG Outcomes:</i> Did the COAG outcomes on skills have any resource implication for DEST? Will funds required for achieving these COAG outcomes be sourced from existing resources or will they require an additional appropriation? How much extra funding does DEST require to administer these additional outcomes?
E913_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER):</i> What is the cost of the review of the National Centre for Vocational Education Research? What is the time frame for reporting? Why was this review initiated? Can the Commonwealth unilaterally withdraw its funding support for the NCVER or does this require the agreement of the States and Territories?
E914_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER):</i> Does the Commonwealth Government have any intention to subsume the current functions of NCVER – research or statistical collection – into DEST?
E915_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Trade Skills Training Visa:</i> Does DEST receive any remittance from the second Visa Application Charge of \$3,300 payable by 471 visa holders to DIMA to recover the overall cost of providing New Apprenticeship Employer Incentives?
E916_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>Trade Skills Training Visa – employer incentives:</i> Are incentives paid to employers of apprentices who hold 471 visas reduced in any way to take account of the payment of the \$3,300 second visa application charge by the apprentice?
E917_06	VET	Written	Wong	<i>New Apprenticeships – Budget and forward estimates:</i> What is the growth factor assumed in the take up of New Apprenticeships underlying the Budget forward estimates for the New Apprenticeship Incentives Program in Output 2.2 'Support for New Apprenticeships'? Is this a flat growth assumption across all New Apprenticeships, or does the assumptions vary? If so, what are these variations?
E918_06	CSIRO	15	Wong	<i>Westridge House:</i> Perhaps you can advise—just take on notice if you could—what costs have been expended by CSIRO since the 2001 refurbishment in relation to that property. Dr Garrett—Of a capital nature or with ongoing maintenance? Do you want the total? Senator WONG—Both—total costs.
E919_06	CSIRO	15	Wong	<i>Chief Executive remuneration:</i> What is the process for reviewing? Who initiates that? Is that some independent process? Dr Garrett—I believe that would be an internal process associated with the remuneration committee of our board. We can take that on notice and come back to you. I am the recipient as opposed to the initiator of that process.
E920_06	CSIRO	15	Wong	<i>Chief Executive Accommodation:</i> Yes, and could you let me know at what rate the market rent was set in 2001? [see E919_06]

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E921_06	CSIRO	15	Wong	<i>Chief Executive remuneration:</i> I am a little confused, Dr Garrett. You said you understand there is a certain remuneration process, but who is actually responsible for ensuring the rate is reviewed appropriately within reasonable time frames? Dr Garrett—I do not know the answer to that. I think it would be through our human resources function. It was initially set through the board secretary—at that time, Mr Keane—so we will have a look at the process again. [see E919_06]
E922_06	CSIRO	16	Wong	<i>Chief Executive remuneration:</i> Does any term of the contract go to the issue of official use? Dr Garrett—I do not know the answer to that in terms of the formality, but we can certainly take that on notice and provide you with that full detail.
E923_06	CSIRO	16	Wong	<i>Westridge House:</i> Does any part of the contract go to the review of rent process? Dr Garrett—I do not know the answer to that. I would have to check with that contract. It is not a contract that I have looked at for a long time. I will check on that through our forward remuneration committee and come back to you. [see E919_06]
E924_06	CSIRO	21 & 22	Stephens	<i>Manufacturing Review:</i> Moving on to the manufacturing review that you referred to in the SIP document, on page 6 of the document you say: CSIRO's Manufacturing Review has identified the need for some immediate change in our investment profile and additional change is foreshadowed in the future. Can you provide some details to the committee of the manufacturing of these findings, including which research areas will be cut and when? Dr Garrett—Let me make the following comments. This again is work in progress, through Dr Rod Hill, who has responsibility for that group of divisions. The report from Dr Hill will be presented to the board and the executive team within the next couple of months or so. We obviously have some early indications which have fed into our science investment process review along the lines I talked about before. It is not yet completed. Senator STEPHENS—Is it possible for you to table that report for the committee when it is completed?
E925_06	CSIRO	23	Carr	<i>CSIRO property – external rentals:</i> Can I have a list of your current external rentals? [see Parliamentary question on notice no: 2408]
E926_06	CSIRO	25	Siewert	<i>Science Investment Process – Plant Sciences:</i> Where is the extra \$1.4 million for plant sciences going? Dr Sandland—It is based on an aggregation of the themes in the division, so I do not have in front of me immediately exactly which themes have been enhanced in that totality.
E927_06	CSIRO	28	Carr	<i>CSIRO brand:</i> Have you ever undertaken an analysis of the dollar value of the CSIRO brand? Dr Garrett—I don't know the answer to that. I think it is likely. Senator CARR—Likely? What is the figure? Dr Garrett—I would have to get back to you on that.
E928_06	CSIRO	30	Carr	<i>Research Scientists:</i> You have increased the number of people with scientific qualifications, but how many of that total of what you would regard as the research scientist category who have had more than 15 years of experience have left? Dr Garrett—I would have to get that data for you. Perhaps that is a question I can respond to on notice.

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E929_06	CSIRO	30	Carr	<i>Access to eucalyptus genetic materials:</i> I have one final question to put on notice. In terms of the forestry division, has Ensis provided or considered providing Dr Paul Cotterill, a former chief of CSIRO, privileged access to improved eucalyptus genetic materials of several species developed by CSIRO and other state organisations through the Australian low rainfall tree improvement project for use in his own business ventures? If so, on what terms and conditions has this been done and what competitive access has been offered to other private organisations for this material?
E930_06	CSIRO	31	Wong	<i>Access to eucalyptus genetic materials:</i> At what rate? Dr Garrett—I do not have that data. We will follow up on the detail and provide that, but it has been appropriately indexed. We will give you the detail on notice. [see E919_06]
E931_06	CSIRO	33	Wong	<i>Revenue target:</i> That was lower than the revenue targeted in the strategic plan. I do not have it with me, but we have previously provided a reconciliation of revenue generated by CSIRO over the last three years to the figures in the strategic plan. I will be more than happy to get you a copy of that. There are two factors that are important to take into account when looking at data in the annual report, as you have just referred. The first goes to changes in the structure of the organisation over that period of time. I made reference earlier to the National Measurement Laboratory moving out of the organisation. That resulted in a reduction of appropriation revenue flowing to CSIRO. So, when we make comparisons with prior periods, we need to take that into account. The second factor, in looking at year-on-year projections, which we need to take into account, is the move of CSIRO to conduct some of its research through joint ventures, and in our accounts, we do not bring to account as external revenue the revenue that flows to those joint ventures. You will note in the annual report that we have made some footnotes to that effect. The answer I was referring to provides a reconciliation of those. As I said, I am more than happy to get you a copy.
E932_06	CSIRO	34	Wong	<i>CSIRO External Revenue:</i> Can you please tell me on notice how much of your external revenue is as a result of coinvestment, consulting and services, both on a year-to-date and budgeted basis?
E933_06	CSIRO	35	Wong	<i>CSIRO Board Performance Assessment:</i> Can you tell me what the board's rating was for 2004-05? Dr Garrett—We did not give you that data. We believe at this point in time that that is confidential to the relationship with the board. I will take that one on notice again and have a discussion with the board.
E934_06	CSIRO	35	Wong	<i>Public Comment Guidelines:</i> Are you able to provide the previous policy or guidelines as well, on notice? [attachment]
E935_06	CSIRO	36	Wong	<i>Participation on External Bodies:</i> The issue for me was that Dr Sandland said that he believed it was, and I wanted to clarify that. But I am happy to move onto the next thing. How many staffers subsequent to that change have sought permission to participate in external bodies? Dr Sandland—I am sorry; I do not have that data. We can take that on notice. I am not sure we actually have that data.
E936_06	CSIRO	36	Wong	<i>Permission to make public comment:</i> How many sought permission to comment to the media or to make other public comment?

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E937_06	CSIRO	45	Wong	<i>Communications with Ministers' offices:</i> Dr Garrett, perhaps you could take this on notice. I would like to know on how many occasions public discussion or comments by a scientist within CSIRO has been the subject of communication between CSIRO management and a minister's office.
E938_06	CSIRO	46	Wong	<i>Dr Graeme Pearman and Public Comment:</i> Can I ask, perhaps on notice, Dr Morton, how many times Dr Pearman sought your permission before speaking? Dr Morton—I would have to check my records to give you a reliable answer. I can recall one occasion but I will have to confirm, so can I take that on notice?
E939_06	CSIRO	50	Wong	<i>Biofuels and Prime Minister and Cabinet:</i> Could you take on notice, if you are unable to answer it, whether Prime Minister and Cabinet has ever made any request or given any direction to CSIRO in relation to any public comment on biofuels by CSIRO scientists? Dr Garrett—I have no knowledge of that. We will take it on notice and examine it.
E940_06	CSIRO	54	Wong	<i>Dinner with Departmental Secretaries:</i> Dr Garrett, I will just briefly go back to the discussion of this dinner involving the heads of agencies. Are you able to take on notice the date of that dinner? Dr Garrett—I would have to take that on notice. There was more than one dinner. It was an opportunity for us to engage in discussions with senior colleagues, as Ron has said, under Chatham House rules, to help in our thinking as well as convey the work that CSIRO is doing. Senator WONG—I understand that. Dr Garrett—I will take the dates on notice.
E941_06	CSIRO	59	Siewert	<i>G-bIRD Technology – CSIRO research expenditure:</i> Can you tell me how much CSIRO spent on the research on that project?
E942_06	CSIRO	59	Siewert	How much did Tenix spend on it?
E943_06	CSIRO	59-60	Siewert	Will there be patents held over the G-bIRD system? I am presuming there will be. Dr Steele—It will either be a patent application or a granted patent, so that is the first question we will answer for you. Second, we will give you an indication of the jurisdictions in the world where we have applied for the patent.
E944_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Informing Government Policy: On Four Corners</i> (February 13) and on ABC radio, Dr Steve Morton, Group Executive, drew a distinction between informing policy and writing policy. Please define in specific terms with examples, the distinction between informing policy and writing policy.
E945_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Dr Graeme Pearman and Public Comment:</i> Please provide details of when Dr Graeme Pearman is alleged to have flouted CSIRO guidelines on public comment in the public arena. [see also E934_06]
E946_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Dr Graeme Pearman and Public Comment:</i> Did this alleged breach take place while the "Guidelines on Public Comment, 1997" were in force and before the new guidelines "Policy on Public Comment" (November 2004) came into force. [see E945_06]
E947_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	While CSIRO has announced the filling of two vacancies on the Board several months after they became vacant, why has there been no announcement of renewal or replacement of the Chairman, Catherine Livingstone, whose term of office ended on 31 December 2005 (Annual Report, page 120) and who has been Acting Chairman since 1 January 2006?

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E948_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Science Investment Process Consultation:</i> In the 2005-2006 Supplementary Estimates hearing, CSIRO has stated "CSIRO believes that it is a consultative organisation and that gauging the views of stakeholders via Sector Advisory Councils, Flagship Advisory Committee, seminars and workshops...is important." The National Farmer's Federation commented in a media release in response to CSIRO's Investment Decisions for 2006/07: "NFF is also concerned about CSIRO's suggestion that industry organisations were consulted in the strategic investment process, neither NFF, or our key commodity members with an interest in wool and livestock, were invited to comment on the strategic directions." (NFF news release- "CSIRO must lose its focus on farmers") Why was the NFF not consulted by CSIRO in the formulation of research priorities for 2006/07? What key stakeholders in this area were consulted? [see answer E751_06]
E949_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Clean coal electricity generation – consultation:</i> Which key stakeholders were consulted in the area of clean coal electricity generation technologies?
E950_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Renewable energy – consultation:</i> Which key stakeholders were consulted in the area of renewable energy?
E951_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Science Investment Process – criteria:</i> In the CSIRO SIPS Investment Decisions for 2006/07 the Executive Team (ET) concludes that "we should reduce our effort in renewable energy restricting our activities to those in which we have competitive advantage and can have significant impact." What criteria were used to judge in which activities CSIRO had a "competitive advantage" and could "have significant impact"?
E952_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Flagships Review – terms of reference:</i> The Government has indicated in its response to estimates questions in the 2005-2006 Supplementary Estimates Hearing, the "Flagships initiative would be reviewed in the context of CSIRO's triennium funding for 2007-08 to 2009-10." Have the arrangements such as terms of reference for the review of the Flagships funding been determined? If not, when will they be determined?
E953_06	CSIRO	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Science Investment Process – criteria:</i> Please provide details on the amount of information CSIRO's new website that is accessible to the public compared to the amount that was accessible to the public on the former website.
E954_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Targets:</i> Can you confirm that external revenue for Flagships is not expected to reach targets for 2005/06?
E955_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Targets:</i> I understand that the figure is now expected to be \$30 million, is that correct?
E956_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Targets:</i> I understood that the original target was actually around \$62 million as announced back in May 2004 that was revised down to \$37.4 million?
E957_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Revenue:</i> In your answer to question E706-06 CSIRO said that any shortfall in external revenue would be offset by external in-kind contributions to the Flagships. What is the distinction between external revenue and external in-kind contributions in this regard?
E958_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Revenue:</i> Can I ask whether you are diverting more internal funds to the Flagship programs to make up for this shortfall?
E959_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Revenue:</i> If I understand correctly originally CSIRO were going to put \$99 million of internal funds into flagships this

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				year, which if combined with the planned \$62 million in external funds would have given an approximate total of \$161 million dollars. Given that the target for external funds is now much lower does this mean that you have had to increase the use of internal funds? [see response E958_06]
E960_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Revenue</i> : If that is the case does that mean that other programs and services are being cut? See response E1069_06]
E961_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Revenue</i> : Is this diversion of funds simply an acknowledgment that your forecasts for external funding were far too optimistic?
E962_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Revenue</i> : Does this suggest that Industry really has not come to the party in terms of the Flagships?
E963_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Revenue</i> : Does this funds redirection mean that proportionately less money is available for all other research at CSIRO? [see E960_06 and E961_06]
E964_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship Revenue</i> : Can you inform the Committee of how many Divisions will have to cut their non-Flagship programs in the coming financial year? What impact will this have on staffing? Which Division will be hardest hit? [see also E1069_06 to E1075_06]
E965_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Flagship overheads</i> : From your answer to Question E705_06 can you explain why overheads have risen in Flagships from 32.3 to 61.7 million in the period 03/04 to 04/05, an increase of 91% compared to an increase of 75% in labour costs and 67% in travel costs?
E966_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Legal Costs</i> : What proportion of the 05/06 operating loss forecast of \$17.291 million is due to legal costs? [see also E722_06]
E967_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Legal Costs and Intellectual Property Protection</i> : Specifically what legal costs that are do with Intellectual Property protection? [see E966_06]
E968_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Legal Costs and Intellectual Property Protection</i> : In question E722_06 did you not indicate that there were increased legal costs of \$7.5 million dollars for IP protection? [see E966_06]
E969_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Legal Costs and Intellectual Property Protection</i> : How much of that increase is due to protection of the WiFi patent?
E970_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Defending Intellectual Property</i> : Where do you draw the line on defending IP? How much is too much?
E971_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Risk Analysis</i> : I assume that you have done a risk analysis on this?
E972_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Review of Risk Analysis</i> : Has that analysis been reviewed since the legal proceedings commenced?
E973_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Distinction between scientific prediction and government policy</i> : In relation to the Four Corners program on Monday night I am interested at CSIRO's distinction between scientific prediction and government policy. CSIRO's Executive Team member, Dr Morton suggested that scientists talking about greenhouse gas mitigation targets was not scientific discussion but government policy prescription. It seems to suggest that this apparently infringed on your understanding on the role of the CSIRO under the Act and its associated responsibilities. Could you explain what that means?
E974_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Modelling and Prediction</i> : Isn't modelling and prediction an essential part of scientific research?

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E975_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>'Gagging' scientists</i> : If scientists cannot talk about he predicted effects of climate change at different levels of greenhouse gas and model the predicted outcomes with various targets in mind, isn't this blatant gagging of scientists? [see E973_06]
E976_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>'Gagging' scientists</i> : Are your scientists allowed to talk about any important national science issues without being filtered by CSIRO's Government Relations and Corporate people? [see E973_06]
E977_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>'Gagging' scientists</i> : Is this simply the case that CSIRO's position that it is "not science but government policy" is flawed and what it really meant is "it is not the science that supports the Government's current policy position"
E978_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Research Support Services Review</i> : Can I ask about the Research Support Service Review. As I understand 210 FTE are to be reduced over three years. I have been told that the CSIRO does not have enough HR people to conduct that reduction. Is that correct?
E979_06	CSIRO	Written	Webber	<i>Research Support Services Review</i> : Are we in a situation where you are going to have to employ additional staff to cut back on staff?
E980_06	Science	69	Wong	<i>Number of Applications for Chief Scientist</i> : How many applications approximately did you receive?
E981_06	International Education Group	141	Wong	<i>Notices of intention to suspend registration under the ESOS Act 2000</i> : I have some questions in relation to the suspension of 14 private colleges from CRICOS which I think you answered on the last occasion—actually, it was in February last year. We were advised then that 14 were suspended for violating compliance rules and that one of them had since had their registration cancelled. Could you advise what happened to the other 13, whether there have been any further cancellations and if any are still suspended. Ms Laker—We would have to take on the notice the specifics of those particular providers. However, it has been our normal practice to update those tables for the committee each time we appear, and we have a copy of those tables here of current actions that have been taken in the last financial year. Senator WONG—So you are not able to tell me what further action was taken in relation to the other 13? Ms Laker—In order that I do not mislead the committee, I think it would be best if I took it on notice.
E982_06	International Education Group	141	Wong	<b>Interim: The Department's compliance activities under the ESOS Act 2000</b> : Are there written guidelines within the department around this sort of investigation? On notice, are you able to provide us with a compliance package?
E983_06	International Education Group	142	Wong	<i>Student Complaints under the ESOS Act 2000</i> : Can you tell me how many investigations DEST has conducted to date in the current financial year and in the previous financial year as a result of complaints from students? Ms Laker—It would be in the vicinity of about 20, but I would like to take that on notice so we can give you a precise number.
E984_06	International Education Group	142	Wong	<i>Compliance of provider with the ESOS Act 2000</i> : Are you able to provide us with details of the outcomes of the investigation of the Melbourne institute that I referred to earlier? Ms Laker—Yes, we should be able to do that. I can tell you that they were found to be compliant, but we can provide you with more details if you would like us to take it on notice.

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E985_06	International Education Group	142	Wong	<i>Compliance of provider with the ESOS Act 2000:</i> Also, are you aware of the matter of students being refused interim certificates from the Australian College of Tourism and Hospitality until they pay for the entirety of their course? Was that matter investigated? I am happy for you to take that on notice.
E986_06	International Education Group	142	Wong	<i>Compliance of Bridge Business College Pty Ltd with the ESOS Act 2000:</i> So Bridge has been investigated by DEST during the current financial year for reasons other than this ministerial exemption issue? In relation to what matters—attendance requirements? Can you provide details of the nature of those investigations and the outcomes? Ms Laker—I certainly can provide you with the details of the outcomes and the broad range of matters that we investigated.
E987_06	International Education Group	Written	Wong	<i>Suspension of providers registered under the ESOS Act 2000:</i> For the 2005-2006 period, how many colleges have had their CRICOS registration suspended? Please provide a list of these colleges. Have any of these colleges had their CRICOS registration subsequently suspended? If so, who?
E988_06	International Education Group	Written	Wong	<i>Tuition Assurance Schemes (TASs) under the ESOS Act 2000 and ESOS Regulations 2001:</i> Does DEST monitor the commercial viability of Tuition Assurance Schemes for international students studying in Australia? Are there any Tuition Assurance Scheme who would be unable to fulfil their obligations in the event of the collapse of multiple providers in the scheme? What action does DEST take to ensure the viability of Tuition Assurance Schemes?
E989_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Tutorial Voucher Initiative – take-up rates:</i> Please update answer to question E570_06, and in addition to the percentage take up rate, also include a column on the actual number of students who received tutorial assistance under the initiative.
E990_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Funding Agreements signed with Australian Technical Colleges as at 30 March 2006:</i> In respect of each Australian Technical College where a funding agreement has been signed: (1) Who are the members of the consortium chosen to operate the Australian Technical College? (2) What are the names of the government and/or non-government schools in the consortium which will have responsibility for delivering the relevant year 11 and 12 school curriculum? (3) What fees, if any, will be payable by students at the college to the schools identified in part (2).(a) for 'general' purposes and (b) for accredited training (4) What are the registered training organisations (RTOs) in the consortium which will have responsibility for delivering the relevant accredited training? (5) What fees, if any, will be payable by students at the college to the RTOs identified in part (4). (6) How many campuses/locations does the consortium propose to establish and where will they be located? (7) How many students does the college expect to enrol (a) in total and (b) at each location identified in part 6, (i) in 2006 and (ii) when operating at full capacity. (8) What programs does the college expect to offer (a) in 2006 and (b) when operating at full capacity? (9) When does the college expect to be operating at full capacity? (10) What is the total sum of funding made available under this contract for the current budget year and over the forward estimates? (11) For the Catholic and independent schools that have responsibility within the College, what will be the schools' SES scores and level general recurrent



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				funding (per capita and total) Please also estimate the level of state or territory recurrent funding.
E991_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Australian Technical College for Lismore/Ballina</i> : Did DEST receive a proposal for an Australian Technical College which included Ballina High School as a consortium partner or participant? If so, on what basis has this proposal been rejected?
E992_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Australian Technical Colleges</i> : Agency Additional Estimates Statements - Revision of the estimates expenses under the Australian Technical Colleges (Flexibility in Achieving Australia's Skills Needs) Act 2005 from \$62,104,000 to \$39,786,000. What is the reason for this revision?
E993_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>English as a Second Language – New Arrivals Programme</i> : a) Please provide data on the level of per capita funding for eligible students under the ESL (New Arrivals) program for each year since 1996. b) Please confirm that this per capita rate has only been increased by AGSRC indexation over that period? c) Also provide data on the key elements of the program for each year since 1996, government and non-government schools separately in each of the states and territories, as follows: i. Enrolments funded by the program ii. Number of students assessed as requiring ESL assistance, including refugees and temporary visa holders as well as new arrivals under general migration policies iii. Total funding provided iv. Number of teachers supported by the program v. Number and types of other staff (e.g. counsellors, teachers' aides, interpreters) supported by the program vi. Student/teacher ratios d) Has the Department undertaken any formal evaluation of this program since 1996?
E994_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Dr Kevin Donnelly</i> : Has the Department entered into any contracts since 1 October 2005 with: 1. Dr Kevin Donnelly 2. Impetus Consultants Pty Ltd 3. Education Strategies.
E995_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Australian Certificate of Education</i> : Has DEST commissioned or funded any paper, research or report by the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry on the need or relative merits of an Australian Certificate of Education? If so, what was the length and value of the contract? What were the tendering arrangements for that consultancy contract?
E996_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Commissioned research on schools funding</i> : a) Has the Department commissioned any research on funding of schools? b) In particular, has the Department commissioned work by Professor Brian Caldwell? c) If so, What is the purpose of the project? d) Is this project focusing on non-government schools, or will it cover funding for all schools? Please give reasons for this answer. e) Will it consider all Federal funding: general recurrent; capital; targeted programs? f) Will it cover funding from all other sources: state/territory; tuition fees and other sources of private income? g) Please provide details of the project's terms of reference. h) Apart from Professor Caldwell, who else is involved in the project? What are their qualifications and experience? i) Who will be interviewed and what questions will they be asked? j) When is the final report due? k) How much will the project cost? (Consultancy fees; research costs; etc.)

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E997_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Average Government Schools Recurrent Costs (AGSRC):</i> (a) Please provide data on the AGSRC figures for each year since 1996, with separate figures for primary and secondary per student expenditures. Include annual increases in \$ and % terms. Please use final figures, not estimated figures, where these are available. (b) In her answer to questions in November 2005, officers referred to the effects of the 'drivers' of AGSRC changes (Hansard, 2 November 2005, EWRE 106). Over the period since the year 2000, please provide disaggregated data on the key 'drivers' of the increases in AGSRC, to demonstrate the percentage point increases arising from those 'drivers' including: i. Teacher salary increases ii. Other salary increases iii. Class size reductions iv. Special programs for students with needs v. Other expenditure: e.g. professional development of teachers; curriculum development. vi. One-off technical adjustments (e.g. the 2002-03 leave loading adjustment) vii. Any other reasons.
E998_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Fees in non-government schools:</i> Please provide information on the primary and secondary fees per student charged by non-government schools in 2004 and 2005, similar to the information released by the former Minister (e.g. Minister Nelson's media release, August 31, 2004 MIN 904/04), which cites the Department as a source of advice. Please provide this information by State or Territory in descending order, with the highest fee schools at the top of each State's list, as follows: • Catholic systemic schools and independent schools separately • Fees charged • Total income received from tuition fees • Primary and secondary enrolments • Assessed SES scores • Actual % AGSRC paid • Level of general recurrent grants.
E999_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Flagpole Accountability:</i> Which schools has the Department visited to ensure they have a fully functioning flagpole? On what date did these visits occur?
E1000_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Non-Government School Funding:</i> a) At the hearings on Wednesday, 15 February 2006, Mr Evans provided information on the number of non-government schools by funding types as at 18 January : Funding maintained: Catholic systemic 971, Independent schools 207. Funding guaranteed: Independent schools 183. Funded at SES rate: Catholic systemic 642, Independent schools 668. Making a total of 2,671 non-government schools. (Hansard, 15 February 2006 EWRE 113) Please confirm these figures. b) Please clarify if non-government special schools, receiving the maximum general recurrent grants, are included in these figures and, if so, under which of the above categories. c) Please provide information on the number of primary and secondary students in each of the above categories (including special schools separately). d) Please list the names, SES scores and primary and secondary enrolments of the non-government schools catering from students with emotional, social and behavioural difficulties that are describe as 'special assistance schools' in the Schools Assistance (Learning Together – Achievement through Choice and Opportunity) Amendment Bill 2006. e) Please list the schools that have moved from the 'funding maintained' category since the end of the 2001-2004 quadrennium, including the following information: i. Names of schools ii. Primary and secondary enrolments iii. SES scores iv. Funding levels; per capita and total; v. AGSRC paid (if different from their SES

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				score, with explanation of any difference vi. Explanation of each school's circumstances (e.g. closure; amalgamation; moving to a system, etc).
E1001_06	Schools groups	Written.	Wong	<p><i>Changes to schools since E599_06:</i> Please update and extend the data provided in the answer to DEST Question No. E599-06: Please provide the following information for each Catholic systemic school: Name, Location, State/Territory, Postcode, Electorate. ERI information (as in QoN E599-06): • Year 2000 ERI category o Year when this category was assessed • ERI rates for each of the years 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 that would have applied if the schools had been funded under the ERI system: o ERI rate as % AGSRC: primary and secondary separately o ERI per capita rates: primary and secondary separately o Total ERI funding for each school 2001-2004 % of AGSRC for 2001-2004. For each of the years 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004: • AGSRC levels: primary and secondary separately • % AGSRC for each school: primary and secondary separately • per capita rates: primary and secondary separately • enrolments: primary and secondary separately • Total funding for each school. 2005-2008 For each Catholic systemic school for each of the years 2005 (actual) and 2006, 2007 and 2008 (estimates): • Funding type for each school (as per types published in the Commonwealth Gazette): o SES funding o Maintained Catholic' o Special school • Assessed SES score • % AGSRC according to the SES funding scale • actual % AGSRC (include figures for all funding types: SES and 'Maintained Catholic) • per capita rates: primary and secondary separately • enrolments: primary and secondary separately • total funding. Please provide the following information for each independent school: Name, Location, State/Territory, Postcode, Electorate. ERI information (as in QoN E599-06): • Year 2000 ERI category o Year when this category was assessed • ERI rates for each of the years 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 that would have applied if the schools had been funded under the ERI system: o ERI rate as % AGSRC: primary and secondary separately o ERI per capita rates: primary and secondary separately o Total ERI funding for each school. 2001-2004 % of AGSRC for 2001-2004. For each of the years 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004:• AGSRC levels: primary and secondary separately • % AGSRC for each school: primary and secondary separately • per capita rates: primary and secondary separately • enrolments: primary and secondary separately • Total funding for each school. 2005-2008 For each independent school for each of the years 2005 (actual) and 2006, 2007 and 2008 (estimates): • School type (as published in the Commonwealth Gazette), e.g.: o Non-systemic regular o Non-systemic special o Other systems (where applicable); e.g. SDA, Lutheran, Ecumenical, Anglican, Christian. • Funding type for each school (as per types published in the Commonwealth Gazette): o SES funding o Year 2000 ('funding maintained') o Year 2004 SES ('funding guaranteed') o Special schools o Special assistance schools • SES score • % AGSRC according to the SES funding scale • actual % AGSRC (include figures for all funding types: SES, Year 2000 'funding maintained', Year 2004 SES 'funding guaranteed') • per capita rates: primary and secondary separately • enrolments: primary and secondary separately • total funding. Please provide the information in Excel spreadsheet and electronic form. (see</p>

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E1002_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Investing in Our Schools</i> : a) Please provide updated information on the grants approved to individual government and non-government schools under this program. For each school, please provide the following information: • Name of school • Location • Federal electorate • Student numbers • Grant details: amount, purpose, timing. b) Please provide details of the arrangements, criteria and timetable for the approval of projects in 2006 for expenditure in 2006 and later years.
E1003_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Investing in Our Schools</i> : Has any school, government or non-government, received grants for projects totalling more than \$150,000 in Round One? If so, please list the school and the total amount received.
E1004_06	PAL	98	Wong	<i>Legal work on HEWRs</i> : You might want to take this on notice, but when was the commencement of that work? I want to know the period which this is over.
E1005_06	ARC	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>ARC</i> : How will the independence of the ARC be ensured? How many members of the ARC Board have already left and how many remain? Is the Board still able to function with fewer members? Has the diminishing number of Board members prevented the board from fulfilling any of its duties? If so, which duties?
E1006_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Research Quality Framework (RQF)</i> : What are the costs so far incurred in relation to the RQF? Please itemise: • Costs associated with Sir Gareth Roberts – airfares, accommodation, remuneration, other costs • Costs associated with the EAG – accommodation, airfares, consultations, other costs • DEST staffing costs and number of staff currently working on RQF, including pay scales • Any other costs.
E1007_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Research Quality Framework (RQF)</i> : How much of the \$2.8 million allocated to the Research Quality and Accessibility Frameworks in BAA2 has been spent on each? Please provide full breakdown of expenses. Have any additional funds been appropriated for the RQF? Please provide breakdown.
E1008_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Research Quality Framework (RQF)</i> : Can DEST confirm that the RQF or parts of it will be trialled in 2006? Please provide details of participating institutions, terms of reference and timelines. What are the costs budgeted for RQF trials and how much has been spent so far? [refer also E1007_06]
E1009_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Research Quality Framework (RQF)</i> : Please provide dates that all EAG advice was sent to the Minister (former and current), including the final advice. Did the minister make any changes to the advice before public release? Please provide any details of changes and dates of release.
E1010_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Research Quality Framework (RQF)</i> : When will the final advice from the EAG be released?
E1011_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Research Quality Framework (RQF)</i> : Has the new Minister sought further advice from DEST on whether the ARC and NHMRC grants will be affected by the RQF? Please provide dates.
E1012_06	CSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Uhrig Assessment Reports</i> : What assessments has DEST conducted and what reports has DEST prepared to comply with the Uhrig Review and DOFA's subsequent requirements? Please provide dates for each assessment or report and details of what each stage of assessment or report involved?

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E1013_06	CSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Provision of reports by Agencies to DEST – Uhrig Review:</i> Have all agencies (CSIRO, ANSTO, AIMS, AATB, and AIATSIS) submitted reports to DEST in accordance with DOFA's requirements? Please provide dates and details.
E1014_06	CSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Provision of reports by DEST to DOFA:</i> Has DEST submitted any reports to DOFA regarding the Uhrig review? What is the nature of DEST's reports? Please provide dates and details. [refer to E1012_06)
E1015_06	CSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Expected timelines for Uhrig review implementation:</i> What is the expected timeline for the implementation of the Uhrig review and other DOFA requirements?
E1016_06	CSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Resource costs associated with the Uhrig review process over a twelve month period:</i> What costs has DEST incurred so far with its involvement in or compliance with the Uhrig Review. Please provide full breakdown, including any extra staff seconded to work on it.
E1017_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Uhrig Review:</i> What is DEST is doing to facilitate abolishing of ARC Board?
E1018_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>Uhrig Review:</i> What is the timeline for the abolishment, including changes to the ARC Act?
E1019_06	IRSG	Written	Stephens	<i>A Statistical Snapshot 2005: Australian Science and Innovation System:</i> For each Figure/Graph in the Statistical Snapshot 2005, please provide the corresponding Excel table with all relevant statistics in the table format.
E1020_06	SAEG	Written	Wong	<i>Youth Allowance:</i> Agency Additional Estimates Statements (p.11) 'Revised New Apprentice beneficiaries receiving Youth Allowance' reduced by \$40,277,000 in 2005-06. (a) How many New Apprentices did DEST initially expect to be in receipt of Youth Allowance each year, and across the forward estimates? (b) What is the revised figure for this year and the budgeted figure across the forward estimates?
E1021_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>Funding for AHEIA:</i> For each year since 2001, how much funding has the Department given to the Australian Higher Education Industry Association? For what purposes was this funding given?
E1022_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>Reduction in doubtful debt provisions:</i> Agency Additional Estimates Statements (p.11) 'Reduction in the provision of doubtful debts relating to HELP' variation by way of reduction of \$116,270,000 in 2005-06. Why has the provision of doubtful debt been reduced? Was this a result of a change in internal policies or assumptions underpinning the provision? Is so, what were these changes?
E1023_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>Revision of Expenses form Appropriations:</i> DEST's Additional Estimates Statements (p.16) show a revision of expenses from appropriations under the Higher Education Funding Act 1988 and the Higher Education Support Act 2003 from \$5.871 billion to \$5.738 billion. This is a revision of \$133 million. What is the reason for this significant revision downwards in estimated expenses?
E1024_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>Additional Estimates Statements:</i> DEST Additional Estimates Statements. In relation to the drop in revenue from activities administered on behalf of the Government of approximately \$650 million from 04-05 to 05-06; • What was the reason for the revision of the inflation factor? • To which Commonwealth loans programs does this inflation factor apply? • What was the previous inflation factor and what is the new inflation factor?

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				• How are these inflation factors calculated?
E1025_06	CSG	Written	Wong	<i>Bad and Doubtful Debts</i> : DEST Additional Estimates Statements. Table 3.7, expenses administered on behalf of the Government – write down of assets – Bad & Doubtful debts, increased from \$6.5m in 2004-05 to \$392m 2005-06, rising to \$522m in 2008-09. To what debts administered by the Department does this relate? What is the reason for the significant increase in the write down? Does this include the Higher Education Loan Program? Please specify the value of the write down as a proportion of HELP debts and other debts. For the write down of bad & doubtful HELP debts, how much is for (i) HECS HELP, (ii) FEE HELP and (iii) OS HELP?
E1026_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>Australian International University (AIU)</i> : Is DEST aware of an online organisation called 'Australian International University' purporting to operate as a university in Australia? Is this an approved higher education provider? If not, what action has DEST taken in relation to this organisation?
E1027_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>National Governance Protocols Compliance</i> : For each university to which they apply, please indicated whether they are currently compliant with the National Governance Protocols. If a university is not compliant, please indicate the date by which they are required to be compliant.
E1028_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>Australian Fee-paying Undergraduate Students</i> : How many Australian undergraduate students are enrolled in full fee paying degrees? How many by each university, and by level of course? How does this compare to Commonwealth Supported students?
E1029_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>University of Ballarat and HEWRRs</i> : Has the University of Ballarat proposed to DEST that if it is not certified as HEWRRs complaint overall, then it should receive a proportionate sum of its 5% increase equivalent to the proportion of its staff on HEWRRs compliant AWAs? Has DEST agreed to this request? Is this proposal consistent with the HEWRRs guidelines?
E1030_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>Students, Selected Higher Education Statistics (DEST)</i> : For each medical degree offered at Australia's universities, for the years 1996 – 2006 (inclusive): How many (i) Commonwealth Supported, (ii) domestic full fee paying, students commenced their degree? In total, how many (i) Commonwealth Supported, (ii) domestic full fee paying students were enrolled in a medical degree?
E1031_06	HEG	Written	Wong	<i>Commonwealth funding places</i> : In a media release dated 2 July 2004, the previous Minister announced an additional 26,800 fully funded Commonwealth Supported places at Australian universities by 2008. For each institution listed in the table attached to that media release, to which faculties/degree programs were these additional places allocated? Please indicate these as commencing and the final allocation by 2008.
E1032_06	Schools groups	Written	Wong	<i>Australian Government spending on universities and schools</i> : Please provide Budget figures from 1995-96 to the end of the current forward estimates detailing Commonwealth spending on: (i) Universities (excluding money advanced to universities on behalf of students under various student loans schemes) (ii) Government schools (iii) Catholic systemic schools (iv) Independent non-government schools.

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E1033_06	ARC	Written	Stephens	<i>ARC grants:</i> Did the previous Minister reject any grants at the last round approved by the ARC Board – how many? At the last two ARC grants round (2005 and 2006), were any grant recommendations from the ARC Board, including grant amounts, project titles or any other details changed by the Minister? How many changes, and what was changed in each instance, including the funding variance in cases where the amount was changed?
E1034_06	Science	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Time of New Chief Scientist Appointment:</i> Given that the last Chief Scientist's term finished in May 2005, and that this is an important role providing the Prime Minister and Ministers with critical advice on science, technology and innovation issues, when will a new Chief Scientist be appointed?
E1035_06	Science	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Chief Scientist Search:</i> At what stage is the search for a new Chief Scientist? Please provide details on the number of candidates who have been considered for the role? [refer to E980_06]
E1036_06	Science	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Selection Process for Chief Scientist:</i> Please provide details on the selection process for the Chief Scientist. Have potential candidates been discouraged by the role only being part-time?
E1037_06	Science	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Chief Scientist position:</i> Will the Chief Scientist position be a full-time position?
E1038_06	Science	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Advice form the Chief Scientist:</i> 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?
E1039_06	Science	Written	Stott Despoja	<i>Chief Scientist's Salary:</i> What is the salary attached to the Chief Scientist role?
E1040_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Minister's announcement regarding AAC:</i> On 27/11/05, Brendan Nelson said that he and Ian Macfarlane had taken a \$1 million proposal to the PM on prospects of a nuclear power industry. "What I'm proposing is that the Australian Academy of Science and our learned academies in humanities and social science collectively, at a cost of just under \$1 million, conduct a full examination throughout Australia. Such a study would take in the geological, environmental, physical, social science and all other aspects of the prospects of a nuclear power industry." (Sunday Show, 27/11/05). Did DEST know about this announcement beforehand? What assistance did DEST provide in the lead-up to this announcement, including advice and briefings? Has DEST provided any advice since the announcement to Dr Nelson or the current Minister? Please provide dates.
E1041_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Nuclear study:</i> Has this study been approved by the Prime Minister? Has any work commenced on this study or in preparation for this study?
E1042_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Nuclear study:</i> Have the Academies mentioned by Dr Nelson been contacted? Please provide any correspondence between DEST, offices of the Minister or the Prime Minister and the Academies? Have they agreed to participate in this study?
E1043_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Nuclear study:</i> What are the terms of reference (draft or otherwise); cost breakdowns, timeline for investigation?

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E1044_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Nuclear study</i> : Which line item does DEST intend to fund this study from? How much does the Department of Industry contribute? Are these additional funds appropriated or under the exiting DEST Budget?
E1045_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Nuclear study</i> : Who has been chosen to undertake this study and what Academy or group is the lead on this study? How much money will be provided to each participant in the study? [refer to E1044_06]
E1046_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Nuclear study</i> : What avenues do non-Government or other groups have to participate in the study, including in consultations over the terms of reference? Have any external groups been consulted over the terms of reference already? [refer to E1044_06]
E1047_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Nuclear Forum</i> : What involvement has the Commonwealth had in Australian National Forum on Nuclear Power Options, originally scheduled to be held on 20th and 21st of February, 2006? Please provide details, including any financial or other assistance provided.
E1048_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : What are the CSIRO's outlays into research, production and publishing of the CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet book to date?
E1049_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : What external sponsorship or external grants towards research and production and publishing of the diet book did CSIRO, its scientists or the publisher receive? Please provide breakdown of sources, e.g. Meat & Livestock Australia. [see also E1057_06]
E1050_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : Why did CSIRO choose to use its name in the title, as opposed to just having a book authored by 2 scientists, as many other books are?
E1051_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : Did CSIRO authorise the use of "the new scientifically proven diet for Australians" on the cover of the book? Why?
E1052_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : What royalties (as a percentage and the total amount so far) have the CSIRO and the authors received from sales of the book?
E1053_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : Does CSIRO hold the copyright to the book? Doesn't this mean it has control over what is said and written in the book as well as in advertising material?
E1054_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : Regarding the advertisement article in <i>Weekend Australian Magazine</i> (11/2/06) written by Mark Eggleston: who paid for this, what is Mark Eggleston's relationship with CSIRO or the authors or the publisher? Did CSIRO clear the text used?
E1055_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : What are the total advertising, promotion and hospitality costs incurred by CSIRO or the publisher in relation to this book? Please provide a breakdown of events, newspaper and other media ads etc.
E1056_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet</i> : What research was undertaken in the lead-up to the diet book? Is there any ongoing or proposed research under way on the diet at the moment? Please provide details of studies or research, including participants, duration of study, sponsorship/ grants (including amounts), etc of all previous and current studies or research. [refer also E1057_06]



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E1057_06_	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet:</i> It is reported that only a 12-week study was undertaken and that it involved only women (Herald-Sun 10/1/06, p.2) – is this true? What were the age-groups involved, duration, cost, location, participating scientists and what grants were provided for the study?
E1058_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet:</i> Manny Noakes is quoted as having said that a study was in progress involving men undergoing the diet (Independent Weekly, 9/10/2005) – is this completed, what are the findings, were any grants sought for this study? [refer also E1056_06]
E1059_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet:</i> Has the Prime Minister's office sought any information from CSIRO in light of Rosemary Stanton's letter to John Howard? Has CSIRO written to the Prime Minister, health Minister or Rosemary Stanton in light of concerns about the diet? Please provide all correspondence.
E1060_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Research support services review:</i> CSIRO has said that the review of research support services: • takes in \$150 million support services budget, and 734 FTE staff (p50 & E703_06) • will lead to \$5 million saving in 05-06 (November 2005 Estimates, p51) • expects to save \$25-\$30 million of the \$150m per year (November 2005 Estimates, p52) • could cut up to 175 jobs over 3 years (November 2005 Estimates, p52) • What is the conversion of 734 FTE to number of actual people affected? [see E978_06]
E1061_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Research support services review:</i> Is CSIRO on target to save the \$5 million in 2005/06? If not, what is the variance and please provide explanations. [see also E703_06]
E1062_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Research support services review:</i> How many staff does CSIRO expect to shed in 2005/06 as a result of the review? Please provide FTE and actuals. How many in 2006/07 and 2007/08? [see also E703_06]
E1063_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Saving targets:</i> Objective 6.4 of the 2003-07 Strategic Plan, which is the basis for the review stated: "By the end of the strategic planning period (2006-07) we aim to free up \$34 million per annum in savings through this objective". (p.88) What are the savings under this Objective for each financial year so far and what were the budgeted savings? Please itemise. Does CSIRO expect to meet this Objective in 2006/07? How much of the \$34 million was meant to be due to staff cuts? [see E704_06]
E1064_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Research support services review:</i> What progress has CSIRO made on the review – please narrow down how many jobs are expected to go in each specific areas identified so far? Please detail CSIRO consultations with staff consultations including dates, details and nature of consultations.
E1065_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Research support services review:</i> Is it the case that a review will be conducted and then its recommendations on staff cuts will be implemented? Or are cuts and the review concurrent? What's the timeline for completion of review & its implementation? [see E1064_06]
E1066_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Research support services review:</i> Have any individual staff already been identified for cuts or redundancies – if so, where and how many?
E1067_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Research support services review:</i> Have management sought voluntary redundancies or any other cuts to staff yet? If so, where and how many?

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E1068_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Research support services review:</i> At Estimates CSIRO said that a final figure on staff cuts had not been determined (p53). Is there an update on the exact staff cuts? Have staff been notified of a revised figure? [see E1064_06]
E1069_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Science investment process:</i> The SIP document foreshadows overall funding cuts to many areas including: • Agricultural sustainability (~5% cut or \$2m in "efficiency gains") - p.5. • Livestock and wool industries (4-5%) - p.5. • Renewable energy - p.6. • Manufacturing - p.6. • Security: Infrastructure and Public Safety p.6. • Future Cities - p.6. • Process technologies - p.6. • Transport sector research in CSIRO's Energy Transformed Flagship - p.6. Please provide a list of each Theme and Division and research project which will lose funds under the SIP. How much money is cut from each Theme, Division or project in the 2005/06 financial year and the next 2 financial years?
E1070_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Science investment process:</i> Will the SIP result in net savings to CSIRO? If so, how much over the next 3 years?
E1071_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Science investment process:</i> What is the timeline for implementation of the SIP overall and for each Theme and Division? What changes and cuts have already occurred in relation to the SIP, including projects and financials?
E1072_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Science investment process:</i> What specific projects will be cut or have been cut already in line with the SIP? Please provide financial details of each. [see E1071_06]
E1073_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Science investment process:</i> Will the SIP result in job cuts? If so, how many and which Theme, Division and project? [see also E1071_06]
E1074_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Science investment process:</i> Is it true that: • 3 Divisions will get a 0% increase - status quo of 05-06 budget – Forestry (known as 'ensis'), Minerals, Food Science Australia • 2 Divisions will see a 4-5% cut – Livestock Industries; & Textile & Fibre Technology (merino wool research is part of TFT and is said to go altogether. General sheep & wool research is in Livestock and could face cuts) • 2 Divisions will see a 10% cut - Industrial Physics; & Manufacturing & Infrastructure Technology. Please provide details and dollar amounts.
E1075_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Science investment process:</i> Does Industrial Physics include any renewable energy-related projects? Which ones? Will any of these be cut? Please provide amounts.
E1076_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Manufacturing Review:</i> The SIP document states that CSIRO conducted a Manufacturing Review of the \$120m spent directly on manufacturing research and \$100m spent on "research that has some relevance to manufacturing." "CSIRO's Manufacturing Review has identified the need for some immediate change in our investment profile and additional change is foreshadowed in the future." (p.6) • What are the recommendations of the Manufacturing Review? Please provide a copy. [see also E924_06]
E1077_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Manufacturing Review:</i> When it was conducted, by whom and how much did it cost?
E1078_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Science investment process - Manufacturing Review:</i> Are there any recommendations in the Review regarding the Woodville laboratories? What are they? Does CSIRO intend to keep them as they are or will any projects or staff be cut? Does CSIRO intend to sell the Woodville laboratories? Please provide details

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E1079_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO laboratories and facilities and staff numbers:</i> Please provide a list of all CSIRO laboratories and research facilities around Australia, including which Division and Theme they belong to. For each of the past 4 years, please provide: • the staff profile at each facility or laboratory and reasons for any variation.
E1080_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO laboratories and sites – funding and revenue:</i> Please provide a list of all CSIRO laboratories and research facilities around Australia, including which Division and Theme they belong to. For each of the past 4 years, please provide: CSIRO and Government funding to each laboratory or facility. External revenue generated at each facility or laboratory
E1081_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO laboratories and sites:</i> Please provide a list of all CSIRO laboratories and research facilities around Australia, including which Division and Theme they belong to. For each of the past 4 years, please provide: Whether the facilities were owned or rented by the CSIRO in any given year. [see also E1079_06]
E1082_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO facilities and laboratories – closures:</i> Please provide a list of all CSIRO laboratories and research facilities around Australia, including which Division and Theme they belong to. For each of the past 4 years, please provide: Which facilities or laboratories were shut down in any given year.
E1083_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Financial statements for each division for last three years:</i> Please provide full financial statements or position for each Division for the last 3 years, including revenue sources and itemised expenses. Please provide YTD financial statements or position for each, including revenue sources and itemised expenses. [attachment]
E1084_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Chief Executive's office – staff:</i> How is the CEO's office/unit structured in terms of staff? Does the CEO's unit include only the CEO and his personal staff or does it include some senior management, e.g. CFO, Deputy CEO? Please provide details of all staff positions in the CEO's unit.
E1085_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Chief Executive's office – costs:</i> For each year since 2001, please provide a breakdown of expenses for the CEO separately and for his unit in total. Please include travel, hospitality, remuneration and other expenses for the CEO and for the unit in total.
E1086_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Senior management expenses:</i> For each year since 2001, please provide a breakdown of expenses for all senior management & the Senior Communications Director. Please include travel, hospitality, remuneration and other expenses.
E1087_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Chief Executive – vehicle:</i> Is the CEO provided with a car under his contract? What is the contract arrangement for the car, e.g. does the CEO 'rent' the car?
E1088_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Chief Executive – vehicle:</i> What type of car and what are the expenses and rent associated with it for each year since 2001?
E1089_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Chief Executive – vehicle:</i> Is the car chauffeured? If so, please provide costs of chauffer.
E1090_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Senior management – vehicles:</i> Does any other senior management receive cars or houses as part of their remuneration package?

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E1091_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Senior management – vehicles:</i> Are the cars given to individual senior staff or is there a fleet of cars accessible to them when needed? Is this part of their remuneration contract? Please provide details, including how many cars and costs associated with these.
E1092_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Senior staff contracts:</i> Please also list when senior staff contracts began to include cars or houses if relevant.
E1093_06/ E894_06	CSG	Written	Wong	<i>Staffing Numbers, Salaries and Performance Pay:</i> Please provide the number of staff employed by the DEST portfolio for each year since 2001. Please include breakdown by Outputs, public service pay scales, including salary ranges, and performance pay/bonuses.
E1094_06	CSG	Written	Wong	<i>Australian Government appropriation for Research Agencies within the DEST portfolio:</i> For each of the Publicly-Funded Research Agencies within the DEST portfolio, please provide: i) In real terms (using 2006 dollars as base), the Commonwealth Government appropriation to each agency for each year since 1996; and ii) In real terms (using 2006 dollars as base), other Commonwealth Government funding to each agency for each year since 1996.
E1095_06	CSG	Written	Wong	<i>Movement in programme specific parameters:</i> Agency Additional Estimates Statements (p.11) Special appropriations. Movement in programme specific parameters -263,413,000. Which programme specific parameters have been changed? What is the individual value of each of these changes?
E1096_06	CSG	Written	Wong	<i>Movement of funds between financial years:</i> Agency Additional Estimates Statements (p.11). Special appropriations. Movement of funds between financial years 342,593,000. Which programs and which financial years does this movement of funds relate? How much money is being reallocated?
E1097_06	CSG	Written	Wong	<i>Movement in programme specific and CPI movements:</i> Agency Additional Estimates Statements (p.11). Special appropriations. Movement in programme specific parameters and CPI movements -23,045,000. Which programs have been affected by these CPI movements? And by how much in each program? What was the CPI revised from? What is the new level? Why did this revision occur?
E1098_06	I&T	Written	Wong	<i>Homework Centres funded 2003-2005:</i> Please update the answer to question E540_06 (How many homework centres have now been funded by state and territory and how does this compare to the past two years?) to include final full year figures for 2005.
E1099_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Programmes funded under IESIP:</i> What programs are funded under IESIP?
E1100_06 to E1103_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Indigenous Education Strategic Initiatives Programme:</i> Was there a 63 per cent underspend in the actual expenditure of the IESIP programme in 2004-05?
E1101_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Indigenous Education Strategic Initiatives Programme:</i> Can you confirm that the \$142 million in IESIP funds not spent in 2004-05 has been rolled over into the IESIP 2005-06 budget? If not, why not?

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E1102_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Indigenous Education Strategic Initiatives Programme:</i> The revised estimate for the 2005-06 IESIP budget is \$395 million. If the entire surplus (\$142 million) had been rolled over on top of the original estimate for 2005-06 (\$266 million) there would have been a total of \$408 million. a. What has happened to the missing \$13 million? b. To which specific program has the \$13 million been transferred? c. Was the \$13 million returned to consolidated revenue? d. Where is the transfer of the \$13 million recorded in the revised estimates budget papers?
E1103_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Indigenous Education Strategic Initiatives Programme:</i> How does DEST intend to allocate \$395 million in the 2005-06 financial year? By how much will each specific program under IESIP increase?
E1104_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Indigenous Education Programme Provider Guidelines 2005-2008:</i> On what dates did your department complete the Indigenous Education Programmes Provider Guidelines 2005-2008 and make them available to education providers?
E1105_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Introduction of Indigenous Education Programme submission-based funding arrangements:</i> On what date was the new submission-based funding arrangements introduced? What were the start and end dates of the implementation of the funding arrangements?
E1106_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Funding for Indigenous Education Programmes:</i> Please provide a breakdown by state or territory of the allocated funding compared to the actual funding delivered under the IESIP programme in 2004-05.
E1107_06	I&T	Written	Evans	<i>Education providers not yet entered into Indigenous Education Agreements:</i> Please provide a list of all the education providers that failed to resecure their funding arrangements under the IESIP programme for the 2005 calendar year. Also specify the amount each provider received under the IESIP programme in 2003-04.
E1108_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>Selection of CSIRO Board appointments:</i> How were the 2 new appointees chosen to be on the CSIRO Board? Did CSIRO Board send its recommended nominees to the Minister for approval? Did the Minister (dormer or current) suggest any names? How many? When were they chosen or recommended to the Minister by the Board? When did the Minister approve them?
E1109_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Board appointments:</i> Was consideration given to the number of existing appointees on the Board with energy or oil backgrounds, e.g. Deborah O'Toole and Brian Keane? How does the CSIRO justify have 4 of the 9 Board members (excluding the CEO) from energy or oil backgrounds?
E1110_06	Science	Written	Stephens	<i>CSIRO Board appointments:</i> How many people were on the shortlist of appointees? What criteria were applied to the shortlist? What backgrounds did each of the people on the shortlist have?
E1111_06	CSG	Written	Wong	<i>DEST grants, scholarships, prizes and awards:</i> Please provide a full list of grants, scholarships, prizes and awards that DEST will make available to schools, universities, individuals and any other groups in 2006, including a short summary of each, due dates and expected announcement dates.
E1112_06	CSIRO	17	Stephens	<i>Science Investment Process – broad direction setting document:</i> Dr Garrett - In October last year, we published some guidelines for our senior executives across the organisation in divisional

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				leadership positions, which we call the broad direction setting document—you may well have a copy of this; if you do not, I am happy to make that available to you—which sketched out the principles upon which we made some decisions for the budget going forward but also the general areas in which we need to increase our investment, maintain our investment, and perhaps reduce our investment. That is the overall context of being what we believe to be appropriate stewards of a significant proportion of taxpayers' money. As part of that process, we obviously spend a lot of time reviewing international trends, understanding our own strengths and relative weaknesses, and reviewing other technical, economic and such processes in order to inform our decisions. That is the background. [attachment]
E1113_06	CSIRO	27	Carr	<i>Customer Value Survey</i> : Senator CARR—I understand also that the last survey involved responses from 120 of the largest companies. Is that right? Dr Garrett—I would have to check the detail. I do not have that document in front of me. Senator CARR—Would it also be true to say that that is the highest response rate for many years—44.4 per cent? Dr Garrett—I think it was around the mid-40s, so that is a good response. Senator CARR—In fact, prior to 2002 the response rate was closer to 60 per cent. Dr Garrett—I do not have that data. Senator CARR—Can you confirm that for me? Mr Whelan—I can confirm that the response rate for quarter 3 of 2005 was 120 replies out of 270 surveys, which is 44.4 per cent. That represents the highest response rate since quarter 3 of 2002. Senator CARR—But back in 2002, the response rate was closer to 60 per cent? Mr Whelan—I don't have that detail, Senator.
E1114_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Flagships external revenue</i> : CSIRO's projected 2004/05 Flagships external revenue was \$27.1m, with an actual of \$15.9m (Source: E705_06). How does CSIRO explain this almost 100% variation? What expected sources of income for Flagships failed to materialise? What is CSIRO doing to meet future targets?
E1115_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Flagships expenses and revenue</i> : For E705_06, please breakdown down expenses and revenue fully including staff costs, depreciation, and hospitality. Please itemise external revenue into IP revenue, co-investment, grants and others. Please also include individual sources of external revenue, e.g. companies, ARC and the amount each individual group contributed. [see also E1116_06]
E1116_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Flagships</i> : Please update E705_06 with YTD figures and TD budgeted figures.
E1117_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Flagships external revenue projections</i> : For 2005/06, CSIRO has set a \$30m external revenue target, revised down from the \$37.4m in the 2004/05 Annual Report (E706_06). But Backing Australia's Ability 2 projected external income at \$61.8m in 2005/06. Again, how does CSIRO explain this almost 100% variation? What expected sources of income for Flagships failed to materialise? Does CSIRO expect to meet BAA2 targets, especially over next 2-3 years? What is CSIRO doing to meet future targets? Is CSIRO still maintaining the BAA2 targets listed in E714_06? [see answer E1114_06]
E1118_06	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Flagships revenue</i> : The Flagships BAA2 Foreword from the Prime Minister said that Government would provide \$310m in repackaged funds: "as the basis for National Flagship

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				funding"...will be matched by \$710 million in redirected CSIRO funding and \$446 million in external funding respectively." Does CSIRO accept that 'basis' for funding represents a condition on government funds for Flagships?
<b>E1119_06</b>	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Flagships revenue</i> : Has CSIRO presented reports to DEST, DOFA, the Minister or the Prime Minister on the financial situation of the Flagships, including external revenue targets? On what dates were updates provided?
<b>E1120_06</b>	CSIRO	Written	Stephens	<i>Flagships external revenue</i> : Is CSIRO negotiating for different external revenue targets for the Flagships? What are the revise targets?
<b>E1121_06</b>	HEG	90	Wong	<i>Voluntary Student Unionism Transition Fund</i> : When did you first become aware of the figure of \$80 million?
<b>E1122_06</b>	VET	110	Wong	<i>Institute for Trade Skills Excellence</i> : Advice is sought as to whether the current shareholders in the Institute of Trade Skills Excellence have direct interests in any registered training organisation believe that they do operate registered training providers. [refer also E452_06]