

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 1.1  
**Output Group:** Schools Resourcing Group

#### **DEST Question No. E996\_07**

Senator Carr asked on 14 February 2007, EWRE Hansard page 143.

#### **Question:**

Australian Federation of Islamic Council

**Senator CARR**— The *Australian* on 6 June claimed that the Australian Federation of Islamic Councils gains most of its income from rent charged to its five affiliated schools. Has the department examined the accounts of those five schools?

#### **Answer:**

*Australian Federation of Islamic Council*

As a condition under the Commonwealth funding agreements, non-government schools must provide both a completed Financial Questionnaire and a copy of the auditor's report on the financial statement to the Department.

The five schools that the Australian Federation of Islamic Councils identifies as members have fulfilled the above requirements.

Four of these five schools have been a part of a previous verification exercise by a qualified accounting firm contracted to the Department.