

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2007-2008 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome 2 - HIGHER EDUCATION

DEST Question No. E158_08

Senator Stott Despoja provided in writing.

Question:

The Australian University Quality Agency (AUQA) has been funded \$590k over 3 years (2003-2007) to strengthen its ability to perform offshore audits – is any review of this funding planned?

- a. If yes, what is the timeline for this review and what will it be focused on?
- b. If not, why not?

Answer:

Australian University Quality Agency

The outcomes of the *Backing Australia's Future* initiative to assist AUQA to enhance its audit of offshore higher education activities will be considered towards the end of the three year funding period in late 2007.