

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2
Output Group: 2.4 – Funding for higher education

DEST Question No. E488_04

Senator Crossin asked on 5 November 2003, EWRE Hansard pages 111-112.

Question:

- (a) The amount of funding the Commonwealth has given Charles Darwin University over the last five-year period, over and above the standard payments – outside operational grants or outside other moneys paid to universities under the standard calculations?
- (b) The amount of money provided by the Commonwealth to the Northern Territory University since, say, January 2002?
- (c) How many reports have you had from them to date on the implementation of that vis-à-vis your \$3 million?

Answer:

Funding to Charles Darwin University

- (a) See the attached table for all Commonwealth payments to Charles Darwin University under the various programs in the EST portfolio (excluding Cooperative Research Centres and other science-related programs) over the past 5 years.

Funds under the Capital Development Pool, Restructuring and Rationalisation and Higher Education Innovation Programs are limited and can be considered to be payments above standard payments.

The Commonwealth has also assisted this university in the past through load adjustments (i.e. maintaining funding while reducing the number of places required to be delivered).
- (b) See the attached table.
- (c) For the Higher Education Innovation Programme grant, two reports have been received from the University, a progress report in March 2003 and a final report in October 2003.