

**EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
2008-09 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

**Outcome**            1

**DEEWR Question No. EW872\_09**

Senator Payne asked on 22 October, EEWL Hansard page 104.

**Question**

*Bilateral Agreements for Universal Access*

Will the bilateral agreements with each state and territory to progress universal access be public (available to the committee to peruse)?

**Answer**

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations has been advised by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet that the expectation is that all bilateral agreements will be publicly available. However, the timing of release would need to be considered in the context of the negotiation process.