

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Asked By: Senator Faulkner**

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**Senator FAULKNER-As I said, I am pleased to hear that there will be these sorts of assessments made. What will the plan be? To report that back to the National Security Committee of Cabinet after that work is concluded? Has any thought been given, perhaps, to where that assessment might go?**

**Dr McCarthy-I am not aware that a decision has been taken on where the report will be made. I can take that on notice. Mr Sheehan may be able to help.**

**Mr Sheehan-I have nothing more to add at this stage. It will be something in the first instance to discuss with the DFAT portfolio, I think.**

**Answer:**

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, as chair of the whole-of-government Commonwealth Games Standing Committee, is in the process of finalising a summary of the lessons learned from government coordination in support of the Commonwealth Games which draws on the views of Government agencies, the Australian High Commission in New Delhi and consultation with the Australian Commonwealth Games Association.

This will be distributed to all Commonwealth Games Standing Committee members and through them to all government agencies involved in preparations for similar off-shore events.