

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

**Portfolio**

**Question No. 116**

**Senator Humphries asked the following question at the hearing on 12 February 2013:**

Grants

- a) Could the department/agency provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.
- b) Have all grant agreement details been published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details.
- c) Provide a list of grants that your department/agency administers that had uncommitted grants funding reduced as per the statement by the Finance Minister (FM) on 22 October 2012 (see [http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr\\_2102012.html](http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_2102012.html)). How much was funding reduced for grant?

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

The following agencies did not administer any grants: Administrative Appeals Tribunal, Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity, Australian Crime Commission, Australian Customs and Border Protection Service, Australian Federal Police, Australian Government Solicitor, Australian Human Rights Commission, Australian Law Reform Commission, Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, Australian Transaction Reports & Analysis Centre, CrimTrac, Family Court of Australia, Federal Court of Australia, Federal Magistrates Court of Australia, High Court of Australia, Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia, Office of the Australian Information Commissioner, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions and Office of Parliamentary Counsel.

**Attorney-General's Department**

- a) Please refer to the AGD's website:  
<http://www.ag.gov.au/About/Grants/Pages/Grantsregister.aspx>
- b) No. The Department has concluded internal certificate of compliance assurance processes for the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2012-13. The Department published 363 grants for the period 1 July 2012 to 31 January 2013 on its website within the required timeframe. A further 33 grants representing approximately 8.3 per cent of all grants were not published within the required timeframe. These 33 grants have been included on the AGD's website since 18 Feb 2013.
- c) The grants that Attorney-General's Department administers that had uncommitted grants funding reduced as per the statement by the Finance Minister on 22 October 2012 are:
  - The *Grants to Australian Organisations Program* had its funding reduced by \$0.643 million.
  - The *Australia's Human Rights Framework – Education Grants* program had its funding reduced by \$0.342 million.

### **Australian Institute of Criminology**

For the period 1 July 2012 – 31 January 2013

- a) <http://www.criminologyresearchcouncil.gov.au/>  
<http://www.ndlerf.gov.au/>
- b) Yes
- c) N/A

### **National Native Title Tribunal**

The NNTT will not be providing a response to this question, as from 1 July 2012 the National Native Title Tribunal is no longer a *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* Agency, and is funded to carry out its functions as a sub-program of the Federal Court of Australia's appropriation.