Appendix 4

Letter from Minister Nelson to Chair of the sub-committee



MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING THE HON DR BRENDAN NELSON MP

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Senator Carr Chair, Subcommittee Inquiry into University Finances The Senate Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Carr

I wrote to you on 16 October 2002 to say that I had written to the Vice-Chancellors of all the publicly funded universities asking them if they were prepared to have the information that they have provided as part of the profiles process released to you. I also undertook to write to you once I heard from the Vice-Chancellors.

With the exception of seven universities, all other institutions have indicated that they do not object to the release of their student enrolment projections. I have asked my Department to provide you with the enrolment projections for all universities early in the new year, except for those seven that have asked me not to release the information.

I have copied this letter to the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee.

I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

BRENDAN NELSON

