Senate Community Affairs Committee

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2016-2017 Additional Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Multiculturalism - National Anti-Racism Strategy

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Senator Richard Di Natale asked:

How is the Commonwealth ensuring that the goals of the National Anti-Racism Strategy are being implemented in the delivery of Commonwealth services?

Answer:

- In 2011, the Australian Government made a commitment to a comprehensive National Anti-Racism Strategy (the Strategy).
- The Australian Human Rights Commission (the Commission) was provided with a budget of \$1.7 million over four years to develop and implement the Strategy.
- Following an evaluation of the Strategy in 2015, the Australian Government committed to providing further funding over a three year period (2015 to 2018).
- Led by the Commission, the Strategy has delivered the *Racism*. *It Stops with Me* campaign and six strategic projects.
- The second phase of the Strategy will build on current efforts and focus on areas of employment, education, media, government service provision, sport and the online environment as well as communities and public places.
- Further information on the Strategy and evaluation can be found at: https://www.humanrights.gov.au/our-work/race-discrimination/projects/national-anti-racism-strategy-and-racism-it-stops-me-campaign
- Further questions on the Strategy should be directed to the Race Discrimination Commissioner.