Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017

Outcome: Higher Education Research and International

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000883

Senator Collins, Jacinta asked on 20 October 2016, Proof Hansard page 30

Copenhagen Consensus Center

Question

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Were there any other contributors or was it solely the Australian education department?

Ms Hart: As I said, that was the education department's contribution to the overall cost of the project. Whether there were other contributors would be a question for the Copenhagen Consensus Centre to answer.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Surely we would know if we were the sole contributor, aside from the Copenhagen Consensus project.

Ms Hart: I would need to take that on notice. Our contract only covers our contribution to the overall project.

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Ordinarily when you are contracting these sorts of things, you would understand whether there were other contributors.

Ms Hart: In some circumstances, but I would need to take that on notice to determine who else contributed, if anyone.

Answer

As stated on the Copenhagen Consensus Center website, the New Venture Fund (USA) and the Department for International Development (UK Government) also contributed to the project (www.copenhagenconsensus.com/post-2015-consensus/background).