

**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. SQ16-000894**

Senator Collins, Jacinta provided in writing

***Australia Awards***

**Question**

Are the Australian Awards (including the Endeavour Awards) administered entirely by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, or are there staff members?

**Answer**

The Australia Awards–Endeavour Awards (Endeavour Scholarships and Fellowships) are administered by the Department of Education and Training (Education). Three Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) IT staff are currently located within the Department of Education and Training. These staff are responsible for the transfer of the database with the details of Australia Awards alumni from Education's ICT environment to DFAT's.