

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

**Sub Program 1.2.4**

**Question No. 5**

**Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 19 October 2009:**

Were the China free trade agreement and the Japan free trade agreement funded during the 2007-08 financial year? When was funding approved for the two agreements?

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

Yes, the Department was provided with funding towards its participation in both the China and Japan FTA negotiations for the 2007/08 financial year. Funding for the 2007/08 financial year for each of these negotiations was approved in 2007.