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Ms Sarah Redden
A/g Committee Secretary
Senate Education and Employment References Committee

Dear Ms Redden

Thank you for your letter of 27 June 2023 providing questions on notice arising from the *Inquiry into* the national trend of school refusal and related matters.

I am pleased to share a range of publicly available information about the ACT education system that may assist the Committee.

The annual <u>ACT School Census</u> provides detailed data about school enrolments across all sectors and stages of school.

Targets associated with academic performance and attendance are set in annual budget statements and reported against in the Annual Report. You can find the <u>ACT Education 2021-22 Annual Report</u>, and <u>Strategic Objective reporting</u> on the Education Directorate's website.

The ACT Education Directorate website provides information on <u>wellbeing support resources for students and families</u> which the Committee may also find useful. The website also provides other key information about the Directorate and our public schools.

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I trust the Committee will find this information helpful, and I wish you all the best for the remainder of the Inquiry. I look forward to hearing the outcomes and recommendations from the Committee at the conclusion of the Inquiry.

Yours sincerely

Yvette Berry MLA Minister for Education and Youth Affairs 25/07/2023