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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services

**EXECUTIVE MINUTE** 

on

JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REPORT [No. 396] [Review of Auditor-General's Reports 2002-2003, First, Second and Third Quarters]

## **General comments**

The recommendation is based on the assumption that ATSIS will exist into the future. The Prime Minister has announced that ATSIS is to cease this financial year. Therefore the recommendation appears to be superseded by events.

## Response to the recommendation

## **Recommendation** No 1

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services agency should investigate costeffective methods of compiling and publishing information about alternative sources of funding from three levels of government. This information should be provided to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Regional Councils on a regular basis.

Given that ATSIS will not exist next financial year, this recommendation is unable to be implemented.

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3 May 2004