Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: International Women's Day

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Senator Cash asked:

How much money has Government committed in total to funding International Women's Day activities in 2012?

To which organisations and/or individuals was this funding directed?

What reporting requirements or other instruments of accountability are used to ensure this money was used effectively?

On what criteria was funding awarded to various bodies?

Answer:

Information is not available on the total funding provided by all Commonwealth Departments and Agencies for celebrating International Women's Day (IWD). Other Departments should be able to advise the activities they were involved in as part of IWD.

To celebrate IWD, Minister Collins participated in:

- UN Women's Forum: National Press Club Canberra.
- Launch of The National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security. Naval Heritage Centre Garden Island, Sydney.
- UN Women Parliamentary International Women's Day Breakfast, Parliament House, Canberra.
- Indigenous Women's International Women's Day Event Manuka Oval, Canberra.

The Office for Women supported Minister Collins' participation in these events.