Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2015-16 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 2.1 Families and CommunitiesQuestion No: SQ16-000186Topic: National Plan to Prevent Violence Against Women and Their Children

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Senator Claire Moore asked:

1. How much money has been set aside to fund the National Plan to Prevent Violence Against Women and Their Children?

2. How much money has been set aside to fund the Second Action Plan to Prevent Violence Against Women and Their Children (2013-16) and beyond?

3. Can you provide an update on the \$30 million awareness campaign announced last March?

Answer:

1 - As at 1 March 2016, funding of \$248.224 million has been made available under the *National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and Children 2010-2022.*

2 - As at 1 March 2016, funding of \$107.27 million has been made available over four years (2013-14 to 2016-17) under the Second Action Plan of the *National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and Children (2013-2016)*. Funding beyond this is included in the table below. Additional funding for the Third and Fourth Action Plans is yet to be determined.

2009/10 \$m	2010/11 \$m	2011/12 \$m	2012/13 \$m	2013/14 \$m	2014/15 \$m	2015/16 \$m	2016/17 \$m	2017/18 \$m	2018/19 \$m
16.923	18.115	29.551	22.706	27.013	28.996	25.373	25.888	26.413	27.246
TOTAL									\$248.224 m

3 - On 4 March 2015, the Australian Government announced a \$30 million campaign to reduce violence against women and their children.

- The campaign was endorsed on 17 April 2015 by the Council of Australian Governments (COAG). On 23 July 2015, COAG agreed to jointly contribute 50 per cent (\$15 million) on a population basis, in direct funding for the campaign. The Commonwealth is contributing \$16.7 million.
- The COAG Steering Committee, COAG Advisory Panel and Women's Safety Ministers have also been briefed on the campaign.
- Developmental research recommends a national campaign which will galvanise influencers parents and communities to positively shift young people's attitudes to respectful relationships and gender equality. This research was publicly released on 25 November 2015
- Campaign development is currently underway.