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Australia Council

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Topic: Funding Returned

Senator Bilyk, Catryna asked:

What amount has the Australia Council had returned to it from the Department and the Catalyst program?

- (a) Is it \$32 million over 4 years as announced by Minister Fifield in his Media Release of 18 November 2016?
- (b) Has the Australia Council committed/expended any of those funds to date?
- (c) What plans are there to commit/expend the returned funds of \$32 million over 4 years?

Answer

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) The funds will be expended as part of the Australia Council's grant program.