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Senator KIM CARR: Okay. Madam Secretary, you mentioned this in the last estimates, and my colleague was good enough to pursue these issues at the last estimates back in June—was it June? Yes, that is right. You said that the government was looking in response to the Philip Clark review, and I think you have said similar things today. So where are we up to with the review? That is now some months ago.

Ms Beauchamp: That review is being managed through the Department of Education and Training. **Senator KIM CARR**: I see.

Ms Beauchamp: It is looking at a strategy around the funding of science research infrastructure. The government has not yet responded to that report. From our point of view, future ownership and funding arrangements will be considered in the context of the government's response to that review. **Senator KIM CARR**: How long has the government had that review now?

Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take on notice when it was provided to the Minister for Education and Training.

Senator KIM CARR: It has been some while, though, hasn't it?

Ms Beauchamp: As I said, I do not have an exact date on when that was provided to the minister.

ANSWER

This question needs to be directed to the Department of Education and Training.