

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2013-2014**

**Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth**

**DEEWR Question No.** EW0069\_14

**Senator Scullion provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Wadeye Hostel - contract**

Aboriginal Hostels Limited has indicated its interest in extending its contract to operate the Wadeye Hostel. What fee will be paid to Aboriginal Hostels for this service?

**Answer**

The Aboriginal Hostels Limited Board has confirmed its willingness to extend the current contract (which expires on 30 June 2013) until 31 December 2013.

The Board also seeks to enter into a further contract for the operation of the Wadeye Boarding Facility for the period 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2017. Negotiations commenced between the Department of Education and Aboriginal Hostels Limited and have since transitioned to Prime Minister and Cabinet. The quantum of funding, including any fees payable to Aboriginal Hostels Limited, has not yet been determined.