

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator: Senator Rachel Siewert

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Question:

Senator SIEWERT: What is the state of that funding—how much do NAAJA have now, and till when do they have a funding guarantee?

Mr Harwood: The funding under Stronger Futures is guaranteed till the end of Stronger Futures, which I believe is 2022. But, as for exactly how much funding they get under that supplementary program, I might have to take that on notice.

Answer:

Under the Stronger Futures package, the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has a current funding agreement with the North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency for \$1,345,365 to provide supplementary legal assistance until 30 June 2014. Funding decisions beyond 30 June 2014 are a matter for the Government.