# **Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

# ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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### Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: Outcome 2: Indigenous

**Topic:** Small Business

**Senator:** Senator the Hon Jan McLucas **Question reference number:** 147

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### **Question:**

- 1. You have made \$25 million available to establish local businesses. What criteria and program guidelines are in place for this funding? What is the application process?
- 2. Over how many years is this funding allocated?
- 3. Will funding be contingent on the employment of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people?

#### **Answer:**

- 1. Detailed arrangements for the \$25 million, including the application process, criteria and programme guidelines are being developed in consultation with the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's regional network.
- 2. \$25 million will be available annually, on an ongoing basis, to support the establishment and expansion of types of enterprises found in any regional town.
- 3. Answer 1 refers.