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Senator: Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald

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Question:

Senator IAN MACDONALD: The other thing—and perhaps this could be taken on notice—is the Cape York Institute, which I know does a lot of work in the Cape. I am wondering if it is possible to get me a list of what projects, grants and funding operations are currently available with the Cape York Institute? They are a good body.

Ms Carroll: Yes.

Senator IAN MACDONALD: I am just wondering if it is possible to do that?

Ms Carroll: We can provide that on notice of the current funding that they have. Just on your first point about engagement, certainly we are moving to a regional manager model of which one is based in Cairns and will continue to be and that person I know already engages somewhat with the Cape York mayors.

Answer:

In 2014-15, the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet provided direct funding of \$1.546 million to the Cape York Institute to deliver the Cape York Leaders Program. The Cape York Leaders Program is a scholarship program for talented young Aboriginal people from across Cape York in Queensland.

The Department provided the Cape York Partnerships Group (a collection of entities including the Cape York Institute) with \$1.150 million in operational funding and \$3.701 million to deliver Cape York Welfare Reform activities in 2014-15. The Cape York Institute receives a proportion of this funding to support their operations and to provide project management, engagement and communication support for Welfare Reform activities.