# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 23-27 February 2015

## Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet **Outcome/Program:** Outcome 2: Indigenous **Topic:** AHL/PMC funding to Bloodwood Tree Assoc.

**Senator:** Senator the Hon Jan McLucas **Question reference number:** 75 **Type of question:** FPA Friday 27 February 2015, pages 49 – 50 **Date set by the committee for the return of answer:** 10 April 2015

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### **Question:**

Ms Edwards: Senator, the decision-making process in relation to that organisation was part of a cluster of organisations, and it took time to work through each of them. So the particular representations in relation to that organisation did not affect the timing, no.

Senator McLUCAS: So what other organisations were advised of their funding yesterday at three o'clock?

Ms Edwards: There was a range of organisations who had previously been funded by AHL and were considered in the same batch. Those that had sort interim funding were advised yesterday or the day before.

Mr Matthews: Yes, and I think that some will be going through the process of being advised that the network will be—for those that were successful— is going through the process of contacting those organisations. I am just not 100 percent sure whether all of them, successful or not, have been advised of that process. I would probably just want to take it on notice just to confirm. I would not want to name them now in case there are some discussions going on at this stage.

### Answer:

On 25 February 2015, the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion, approved funding for 11 organisations formerly supported by Aboriginal Hostels Limited (AHL) for the period 1 January 2015 to 30 June 2015:

- Bloodwood Tree Association Inc (WA);
- Christian Aboriginal Parent Directed School Inc (WA);
- Clontarf Aboriginal College (WA);
- Karalundi Aboriginal Education Community Inc (WA);
- Wongutha Christian Aboriginal Parent-Directed Schools (WA);
- AFL Cape York Ltd (QLD);
- Mookai Rosie Bi-Bayan (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Corporation) (QLD);
- Murri Watch Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation (QLD);
- Murrumba Aboriginal Housing Company (QLD);

- Catholic Parish Of St Frances Xavier Centacare Ballina trading as Centacare Ballina (NSW); and
  Mayaroo Incorporated (NSW).