Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator: Moore, Claire

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Question:

Senator MOORE: Was the summary of the findings of the KPMG report prepared for the minister's office? Did you, Minister, get the draft report in total or did you get a summary from the Office for Women?

Ms McIntyre: I might have to take that on notice, because the report was delivered before I was in this role, so I do know what happened—

Senator Cash: And we had an election as well, so if we can take that on notice.

Senator MOORE: Can the department provide a copy of the summary of the report and the analysis prepared for internal use for the minister's office?

Senator Cash: We will take that on notice and see what we can do for you.

Answer:

- 1. The full KPMG report was provided to the Minister again on 28 September 2016, together with a summary of the recommendations made by KPMG.
- 2. A copy of the September 2016 summary is provided at <u>Attachment A</u>.

ATTACHMENT A

Recommendation	Response
Recommendation 1: OfW should consider developing an overarching document that links the Australian Government's priorities, the desired outcomes of the Operating Framework, and the work of Alliances.	Agree with this recommendation.
Recommendation 2 : Update the Operating Framework to reflect the desired purpose of the Alliances.	Agree in-principle with this recommendation.
Recommendation 3 : Update the Operating Framework to include measurable and achievable outcomes.	Agree in-principle with this recommendation
Recommendation 4 : Consider revising the OfW Alliance grant management approach to take a risk-based approach to dealing with individual Alliances.	 <u>Agree</u> with this recommendation <u>Comment</u>: A risk management approach to grant funding represents best practice and would be consistent with the Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines.
Recommendation 5: Redefine the relationship between Alliances and OfW to reflect a more strategic and mutuallybeneficial arrangement.	Agree in-principle with this recommendation
Recommendation 6: Encourage and support Alliances to increase inter-Alliance collaboration.	Agree with this recommendation
Recommendation 7: Direct and support Alliances to increase representation of marginalised women.	Agree with this recommendation