SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Group 1

Program 2.1

Question No. 162

Senator Singh asked the following question at the hearing on 24 February 2014:

1) The 2012-13 Annual Report lists the following non-statutory advisory committees relating to arts and heritage. Do these committees still exist?

2) Have they met since the change of government?

3) How many times?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

1) The 2012-13 Annual Report lists the following non-statutory advisory committees relating to arts and heritage. Do these committees still exist?

Advisory Committee for Indigenous Repatriation

Yes

Cross-agency arts reporting and measurement working group

Yes

Film Certification Advisory Board

Yes

National Arts and Disability Strategy Working Group

Yes

National Cultural Heritage Committee

Yes

National Cultural Policy Reference Group

No. This group was formed specifically for the purpose of advising the previous government on the development of the National Cultural Policy. Its work was completed when the policy was release on 13 March 2013.

Public Lending Rights Committee

Yes

Tax Incentives for Arts Committee

No. The Tax Incentive for the Arts Committee has been replaced with a new panel of expert assessors.

2) Have they met since the change of government?

Advisory Committee for Indigenous Repatriation Yes

<u>Cross-agency arts reporting and measurement working group</u> Yes

Film Certification Advisory Board Yes

National Arts and Disability Strategy Working Group

National Cultural Heritage Committee
No

National Cultural Policy Reference Group

Public Lending Rights Committee Yes

Tax Incentives for Arts Committee Yes

3) How many times?

Advisory Committee for Indigenous Repatriation They have met twice – 22 October 2013 and 5 March 2014

Cross-agency arts reporting and measurement working group 12 February 2014

<u>Film Certification Advisory Board – They have met once</u> 15 January 2014

National Arts and Disability Strategy Working Group

National Cultural Heritage Committee N/A

National Cultural Policy Reference Group

N/A

<u>Public Lending Rights Committee</u> They have met twice – 12 Dec 2013 and 6 Mar 2014

Tax Incentives for Arts Committee

22 November 2013