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Senator STEPHENS asked: —You said, Mr Hopwood, that one of the issue was the sale of research?

Mr Hopwood — Sale of some aspects of our tourism research, yes.

Senator STEPHENS — Who are the purchasers of that kind of research?

Mr Hopwood — Sorry, I do not have the details. There will be various industry bodies within Australia who are interested in that information.

Senator STEPHENS — Perhaps you could provide some details to the committee about cost recovery activities and what programs deliver those. That would be great.

Mr Hopwood — Yes.

ANSWER

Tourism Australia undertakes two activities which are cost recovered. These are Tourism Australia managed trade event and the provision of tourism statistics and analysis from Tourism Research Australia. In accordance with Australian Government policy, a Cost Recovery Impact Statement is currently being finalised in consultation with the Department of Finance on these two activities.