

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-2011**

**Outcome 2 - Schools**

**DEEWR Question No.EW0648\_11**

**Senator Scullion asked on 21/10/2010, Hansard page 46.**

**Question**

**AGREEMENTS OR MOUS WITH THE TERRITORY**

Ms Paul—No we have actually entered into a series of agreements or MOUs with the Territory. Senator SCULLION—Will you be able to table those agreements? Ms Paul—With this one, I imagine we will do similarly. Senator SCULLION—Will you be able to table—to give me some comfort—any of those agreements, letters of note— Ms Paul—I will take on notice what is current and let you know. We are not at that point yet with this one, but we are happy to keep you posted on it.

**Answer**

We have entered into a number of agreements previously with the Northern Territory Government. An example of such an agreement is the Memorandum of Understanding put in place to formalise approaches for the implementation of measures initiated under the Australian Government's Northern Territory Emergency Response (NTER). This included the establishment of the NTER Joint Steering Committee to enable a collaborative approach to the implementation of key education measures, including agreement on key deliverables, timeframes and resource allocation. The Memorandum of Understanding is attached.

It is anticipated that DEEWR and the Northern Territory Department of Education and Training will formalise relative responsibilities in relation to the boarding facilities in the near future. With the agreement of all parties, DEEWR will provide this agreement.